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'New traditionals' construct alliance

By KIKI KUNKEL Missourian Staff

A new organization, the New Traditional Alliance, held its first organized meeting on campus. Wednesday, Jan. 29, in Colden Hall,

"We want more representation on campus and to be recognized as a group," Evelyn McNabb said. "We also want a recognized place on campus to help the non-traditional students stand up for their rights.'

Their next meeting will be Feb. 3 at 3 p.m. with University President Dean Hubbard. Questions will be directed to Hubbard and if time allows questions will be taken from the floor.

The New Traditional Alliance has adopted the following Statement of Purpose: "to encom-

pass the needs for support, direction and representation of members of the University community who may fall outside of the traditional student classification and generate an environment that is leading to free thought, academic growth and general welfare of all purposes of the University.'

"I hate labels!" Patty Hatfield-Deery said. "During my entire life, I have been labeled as" a daughter, a wife, a mother, a marine and now a non-traditional student. People don't even look at my ability as a human being. Instead they stereotype me by these labels! I am sick of it! I want to be called a student. Nothing

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'The walls came tumbling down'



Zebbie Bath, New Traditional Alliance member, revises a speech for the group's meeting with University President Dean Hubbard Monday, Feb. 3. Don Carrick/Photo Director

Judge hears testimony of alleged rape charges

By TONYA RESER Associate Editor

December graduate Mike Madrigal faced a preliminary hearing on Tuesday, Jan. 28, at the Nodaway County Courthouse Annex where Judge John Fraze heard evidence to decide if Madrigal should be bound over for trial on three counts of rape.

No decision was made at this time. Briefs from the lawyers are due to Fraze by Friday, Jan. 31, when he will start to consider the possibility of a trial for the charges.

Madrigal is charged with six counts. Four of these counts are rape charges and the remaining two are sexual abuse charges.

'Generally, when a judge takes the testimony and evidence into review it takes about about a week to 10 days for a ruling to be handed down," David Baird, Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, said.

He added he is expecting the ruling the first part of next week.

The first victim testified that she and Madrigal had met Aug. 16, 1991, at a party on Mulberry Street. They allegedly went from there to the Outback Bar where they danced for about an hour. They then proceeded to what he claimed was his apartment in Bearcat Village Apartment Complex. He said he had to stop there and pick something up, according to the alledged victim.

Inside the apartment, Madrigal led the women to a bedroom where he allegedly forced her to have sex.

He then took the woman to meet with her friends which she had left at the party on Mulberry Street.

The next testimony came from place," Prokes said.

another victim. She stated on two occasions Madrigal forced her to engage in intercourse in Wells Hall. She knew Madrigal before the supposed incidents occurred, but was not romantically involved with him.

The first incident took place Sept. 4, 1991, at approximately 9:30 p.m. On that night she was finishing up some work when Madrigal approached her and asked her to follow him which she did, the woman maintains. When they got to a confined area of the building Madrigal allegedly engaged in sexual intercourse with her.

The second incident on Oct. 1, 1991, went much like the first, according to the woman. Again, it happened in a confined area of Wells Hall. It was evening and the student was there working.

There was a third incident where Madrigal approached her but they did not have intercourse. On Nov. 6, 1991, Madrigal was in Wells Hall when the woman needed some help with an assignment, Madrigal offered to help, according to the woman. Heattempted to kiss her, but she pulled away. She claims she said no and Madrigal walked away. She was not sure why he walked away, but the next day she decided to press charges.

The lawyer for the defense, Roger Prokes, and Baird both questioned the women for details of the events.

"I am firmly convinced that no rape took place," Prokes said.

After the women testified, Prokes asked the judge to drop the charges against Madrigal.

"No probable cause shown to prove forcible compulsion took

Future of technology discussed

By TRACY LYKINS Associate Editor

With the failure of Proposition B in November 1991, Northwest now faces cuts that would total over \$1.3 million in order to balance the budget. It was determined that phasing out the department of technology would save \$407,547.

University President Dean Hubbard first reported to faculty and staff on Thursday, Jan. 9, recommendations to reach this goal, with the list of cuts including the elimination of the department of technology by June,

The department consists of majors in industrial arts education and industrial technology. In addition, one- and two-year certificates are also offered to students.

The administration's response, a 10-page report, discussed the reasons for the eliminations.

When compared with the other colleges and departments, the College of Agriculture, Science and Technology generate low student credit hours, according to the report.

In addition, the student/faculty ratios are well below the college and University averages. Compared to a 21.6 ratio of the institution and a 22.6 ratio of the college of agriculture, science and technology, the technology department has a 12.2 ratio.

The report said, "...the student/ faculty ratios demonstrate a lack of progress on the efficiency dimension."

The report also stated that the department has experienced steady to declining enrollments over the years. Compared to 113 majors in the Fall of 1989, the department had 99 majors in the Fall of 1991.

Dr. Peter Jackson, professor of technology, has tendered his early retirement effective at the end of the Spring, 1992. The University is negotiating with Maryville RII and Northwest Technical School (NTS) to investigate transferring the oneand two-year programs and first two years of the B.S. degree in Industrial Technology to NTS. They are also looking at placing terminated faculty there.

Dr. John Rhoades, chairman of technology, said the best reason to keep the department was for the stu-

"We're the only school at the present time with an industrial tech-

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Magee appointed as student Regent

Children on their way home from school Thursday, Jan. 23, view the demolition of the Maryville Inn. The

Inn was condemned after a partial collapse Dec. 21, 1991. Don Carrick/Photo Director

By TRACY LYKINS Associate Editor

Missouri Gov. John Ashcroft appointed Connie Magee as student member of the Board of Regents. Magee, who is replacing Nicole Rowlette, was given the news of her appointment on Monday, Jan. 27.

Magee, a senior majoring in English and Geology, filled out extensive applications before it was narrowed down to three finalists and sent to Ashcroft for the final decision.

Magee has been involved with Student Senate for a year and a half. She was elected this year as an offcampus representative and is also involved with the Environmental and the Public Relations committees. She has also been president of Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society; vice president of Alpha Chi, an organization to honor academically-successful seniors; and Kappa Delta Pi, the education honor society.

University President Dean Hubbard will meet with Magee and

"She's very articulate and in touch with the students and responsible enough to represent the students well." Adam Seaman,

go through a hearing process in Jefferson City next month. This is when she will officially be appointed. Magee is from St. Joseph and has

Student Senate President

plans to attend graduate school at Miami University in Ohio.

"I want to write and I hope to teach eventually," Magee said. "I'd like to be a professor, I'd like that to be my last job."

Student Senate President Adam Seaman said Magee is one of the most reliable people he knows.

"I've known Connie since I was a freshman and she's always been a mature person," Seaman said.

Seaman said he chose Magee to run on his ticket because he thought she would be an asset.

"She's very articulate and in touch with the students and responsible enough to represent the students well." Seaman added Magee is very in-

telligent and pro-Northwest. "I'm really honored to have been chosen and excited to start," Magee

Magee will serve a two-year term while finishing her degree.

tour comes to Northwest Second The audience was left By ALAN T. HAINKEL laughing when The Sec-Missourian Staff

ond City national tour came to Northwest, Monday, Jan. 27. The comedy troupe performed at the Mary Linn Per-

forming Arts Center in front of a crowd of approximately 200. The performance was sponsored by Campus Activity Programmers. The Second City, famous for its improvisation, used laughter to make the audience take a look at popular culture, religion and politics. They parodied everyone from University President Dean Hubbard to the Kennedys.

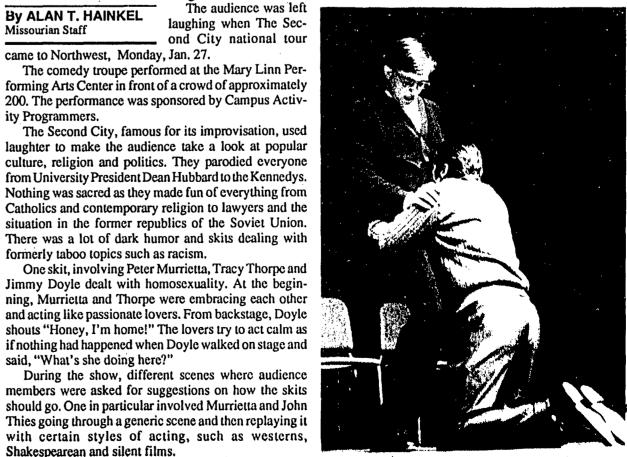
Catholics and contemporary religion to lawyers and the situation in the former republics of the Soviet Union. There was a lot of dark humor and skits dealing with formerly taboo topics such as racism. One skit, involving Peter Murrietta, Tracy Thorpe and Jimmy Doyle dealt with homosexuality. At the begin-

ning, Murrietta and Thorpe were embracing each other and acting like passionate lovers. From backstage, Doyle shouts "Honey, I'm home!" The lovers try to act calm as if nothing had happened when Doyle walked on stage and said, "What's she doing here?" During the show, different scenes where audience

members were asked for suggestions on how the skits should go. One in particular involved Murrietta and John Thies going through a generic scene and then replaying it with certain styles of acting, such as westerns, Shakespearean and silent films.

Thorpe said that 70 percent of the stops that the group makes are to college campuses. Another 20 percent are to

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Thinking John Thies is "Curtis Christ," Peter Murrietta begs to be healed of his loneliness during a Second City skit Monday, Jan. 27. Don Carrick/Photo Director

Students find escape in soap operas – See page B1

OUR VIEW

Maryville music scene pleasing to students

It has been said that music soothes the savage beast, but what about the savage college student? For some time now, the city of Maryville has been sorely lacking in the area of musical entertainment for your average college attendee. But, with the hard work and dedication of a handful of music lovers, this situation has slowly begun to change.

College is supposed to be a time to broaden the mind and music is an important part of that broadening. College students are, on the average, very open to all different styles of music, be it classical, rock, thrash, funk, country, blues or reggae. This is why, in many college towns, bars, coffee-houses and other establishments open their doors to local and nationally-known musical acts. College students go to hear the music and the businesses make a profit from charging admission and buying refreshments once they are there.

Here in Maryville it used to be a different story. The only live music in town was the fine material being played and sung by members of our own music department. Different styles of music weren't heard. National acts passed by because the college was "too small." Local bands languished and died in basements and garages because they had no place to play. Music lovers, and their money, made an exodos to other college towns, like Columbia and Lawerence, to get their fill of different kinds of music.

Thankfully, much of that has changed over the last few years. CAPs has continued to bring to this "too small" town nationally-known musicians including The Charlie Daniels Band, Warrant, Firehouse and Trixter. Local bars, such as The Outback, have presented several regional bands such as Kill Whitey and The Modern Saints, and locally-known acts including, Twelve New Guppies and Trouble In Mind.

The campus radio station, KDLX, is playing music created by unsigned regional groups in addition to the varied music already offered. And public radio station KXCV continues to bring a wide spectrum of music with programs of light jazz and big band sound.

The music department, with the help of the Culture of Quality, continues to bring fine classical music concerts to campus varing from the Kansas City Symphony to the Lyric Opera.

Thanks to these business and organizations, the music scene in Maryville has started to show signs of life again. We can only hope that they continue to revive the patient by bringing strong, diversified acts into Maryville, and that others in the community will realize the great amount of money that leaves town every weekend to get their music somewhere else.

Editors unable to run unsigned letters

It seems that many people, whether students, faculty or administrators, have an opinion on the issues that affect this University. We are certainly experiencing some difficult times at Northwest with the proposed budget cuts, and it seems many are sensitive about these issues and others.

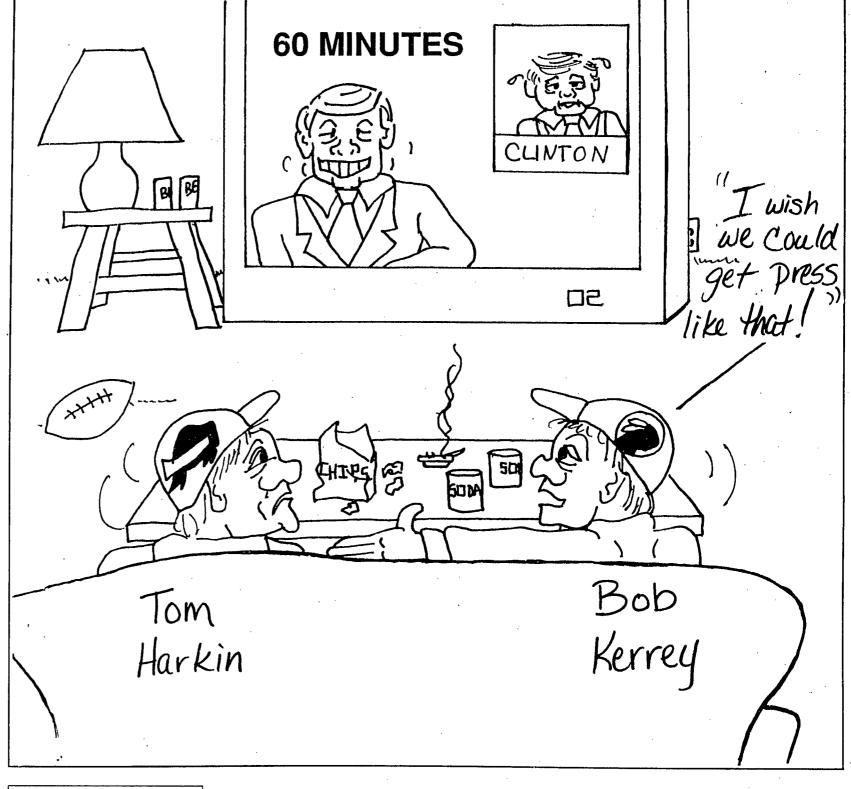
The *Northwest Missourian* serves as a voice for anyone who reads the paper. We welcome your Letters to the Editor and Guest Columns for printing on the opinion page, but only if the submission is signed.

Weekly, the *Missourian* receives letters from "a very concerned student," "anon" and others upset on varying issues, but without a signature, your opinions have no voice. These letters, many containing very valid points, will never see the opinion page.

Clarification

The editorial cartoon in the Jan. 23 issue was intended to reflect the University's current budget situation; it was not a reflection on Dr. Jean Nagle or the sociology program.

Cartoons, by their nature and intent, are understood by viewers to be rhetorical hyperbole or exaggerated symbolic statements of opinion. They are a form of expression that clearly draw upon overstatement to make their point.



CAMPUS VOICE

If the presidential election was held tomorrow, who would you vote for and why?

"A Democrat, because the Republicans already got us in a depression and the Democrats can get us out." -Travis Price,

freshman



"I think Kerrey is a strong leader, can pull us out of the recession and he has some good views."

-Renee Rempe, freshman



"Basically, I would vote for Bush because of the qualifications he already has and the reputation he has set for himself."

himself."

-Jonathan Phillips, junior

"Normally a
Republican, but I
don't see a
Republican who
can do the job
we need to do."
-Lonnie Sauter,
senior



Love, respect our elders before they are gone

Growing old. We are all doing it, every minute of the day. We don't even know it or think about it.

Yet, someday, we all reach an age when we retire and find new purposes for the rest of our lives. There might come a time when we can't take care of ourselves. What will become of you? Of me?

I hope I will have loving children and grandchildren to take care of me. I think about my only living grandmother, and I wonder what life is really like for her. Sure she lives in a very nice retirement apartment complex, with meals and entertainment provided, but I don't know if I could be happy just playing a card game, watching television, taking walks or socializing at mealtime.

My grandmother is lucky, though. She lives just 10 minutes from one of my aunts, and 20 minutes from my family. She sees a doctor regularly for some minor health problems, and my mother and aunt are fortunate enough to work for the family company and can take her to see the doctor themselves.

I can't help but wonder about those senior citizens who have no family or friends. I wonder about those who have family and friends that care, but either cannot or do not make time for them. I wonder about those who have family or friends that do not care at all.

Americans do not seem to respect their elders anymore. How many of the homeless are over age 60? In some foreign countries, the elders are treated with the utmost respect; a youth would never presume to dishonor them.

In the United States, it seems that children are willing to let their parents live shabbily, supported only by Social Security. Who can say how much Social Security will be worth in forty years? Or if we will even have it? I can't, and I'm sure the government can't either.

Not to be harsh, and this by all means does not apply to every child with an older parent, but it is sad to think some people just wait around for their parents to die so they can collect whatever inheritance "is their due."

At a time in their lives when our elders need us the most, it's a shame so many children choose to turn their backs on them, including our government. Our elders should not be discarded, rather, they are treasures.

They have experiences beyond our years, wisdom learned from making the same mistakes we are making

tell of times before television and cars would be fascinating. What was life like in 1920? I know there are plenty of lessons we could learn if we took time out to listen.

For a high school assignment, I

now, years ago. The stories they could

For a high school assignment, I had to ask three people about the Great Depression. I learned more about what my grandparents' everyday life was like during that time from that one particular conversation than I probably would have otherwise.

Giving our elders a sense of selfworth and importance is the least we A
Closer
Look
MARSHA HOFFMAN

can do. Next time I see my grandmother and parents, I'm going to say to them two things I know I, and many others, need to say: "thank you" for everything you've given me, and "I love you."

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The Stroller Yours Truly lapses into depression

Heartache is absolutely unbearable, isn't it? Your Man has had it up to here with trials and tribulations. It seems that once you make it over one fence there's another one mere inches away. And it is this issue that needs to be addressed today.

We're pretty much all college students here, right? Which means the basic dilemmas are handed out to each and every one of us. There's the financial aid situation, which requires pay-back one of these days. But what happens if Your Man or one of you doesn't get a job six months after our graduation, but the debt people proceed to knock at your door anyway? I'm trembling in fear already. Maybe this is your clue as to why I'm STILL here.

Trying to find a job also poses a problem, what with fitting in classes plus a suitable study schedule. We need money to pay for all of college's big expenses, but college won't be around much longer if we put in so many hours at the work place and not the library place.

Your Campus Crusader has certainly hit the skids in this area lately. Why is it \$5 doesn't go as far as it used to? Maybe it's because Ma and Pa have cut a few of us off from the constant money supply we used to

Before, our extra spending money went toward another case of beer or a movie at the Missouri Twin Cinema. Now, work on the car I drive is figured into each weekly schedule and

the credit card bills seem like they come more often than just every 28 days.

Then there's the social life that somehow has to be upheld amidst all the other ruckus. How are we supposed to go out and have a good time with our friends if we're anticipating tomorrow's next dilemma?

Your Man is a Worrying Man today, as is obvious. I guess it's tough remaining optimistic when problems keep piling up. I know I'm not the only one around here with problems, although it feels like it.

We need to unite and fight the society that keeps placing such a constant emphasis and importance on money. Oh, yeah, Your Man has a little radical in him; it just takes a

crisis like this to push me to the limits.

But how do we go about this? Although a genius in many areas, this one has Your Helpless Hero stumped. We could do some crazy things, but what would any of it accomplish? I think we're stuck at a crossroads here.

Do we join the world and continue expecting all life's problems to be answered by a few bucks or do we try our hand at pioneering a way to fight the system?

Geez, I don't know. I'm supposed to offer you some sort of hope being the Campus Consoler I am. But as of now, the money situation's got me bummed. I'll try my best to perk up by next Thursday just for you. I'm sure a cool \$100 could solve that problem easily.

Students responsible for own educations

people their jobs and force others to adapt to a changed environment. Lately, I've been thinking specifically what happens to the quality of education when programs are cut, services reduced and faculty eliminated.

I'm not just talking about Northwest. I'm talking about any institution of higher learning that proposes to give students a brighter future in exchange for time, effort and money.

It's easy to blame the economy for the declining of quality education, but what has been the excuse in the past for the overall poor performance of American students? To be honest, I'm not sure, but I would like to offer some ideas for students to get the most of their education regardless of budget crunch concerns.

I read an article in a college newspaper from Denver that really makes it all sound simple. The article said the responsibility for learning rests,

Cutbacks in education cost some to a great extent, on the students. Students must take their education by force in some cases.

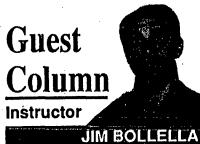
> There exists an unhealthy attitude that students need only show up for class and unscrew the tops of their heads so that information can be poured into their brains without incident. After the knowledge has been distributed, everybody can go home and discuss how boring their classes were that day. I must admit that some instructors really know how to kill any existing enthusiasm in the classroom, but making a class interesting is not a one-person job.

Without question, the learning process must be an interactive one to be effective. As an instructor, I love to be interrupted with questions because it means students are analyzing what I've said. It also means that they care about understanding the material and when I see that kind of interest it reminds me of why I became a teacher.

To be honest, there are a lot of

teachers who possess a great deal of knowledge and talent who do not go out of their way to offer it to their students. Also, in a budget crunch, many teachers have extra demands placed on them that legitimately inhibit them from going the extra mile in and out of the classroom. So what does that mean to students? Well, it certainly doesn't mean that your education has to suffer, it just means that you may have to work a little harder to get the quality you deserve.

The Denver student who wrote the article I mentioned earlier was very emphatic about how he thought students could get the most out of higher education. He wrote, "We have to badger the teacher for more information. We have to stun them with questions, even stupid questions, to make damn sure we understand the material. We have to push for more than the teachers are willing to give and suck them dry of their knowledge and experience. We must be vampires.



We must be thieves." His point is that education is not given away, it must be taken, and I agree.

higher education lately, but it's important to remember that even though budgets get cut, your ability to learn and achieve your potential cannot be taken away. Teachers may get busy in times like these but the good ones do want you to learn and will not turn their back on you if you're genuinely interested and willing to put forth honest effort. So let the beancounters chop away at the budget, you can quietly grin because your stealing an education right under their noses.

Letters to the Editor

Reporting judgment questioned

Dear Editor,

After reading the Jan. 23 issue of the Northwest Missourian, I sat back and shook my head. It seemed a large portion of the opinion page (page number 2) as well as certain items reported on the front page, were dedicated to taking shots at both President Dean Hubbard and our national government, without a fair representation of the two. Being a former Northwest Missourian staff writer, I can't recall ever being taught to use my responsibility of reporting in such a reckless manner.

It might be worthwhile to note that Hubbard is doing the job that he is Things certainly look grim for employed to do. Nobody likes making budget cuts and least of all those which require an elimination of personnel. I have taken classes in the technology department, which is a proposed cut, and can say that the instruction I received in that department was superior, as is the case with 90 percent of the classes I have taken at this University.

However, if cuts must be made and Hubbard feels it is in the best interest of the University to eliminate this department, along with cuts in Campus Safety and the Counseling Center, then those ideas should be supported.

Hubbard has brought this University to higher levels of education achievement and better prepared graduates for the real world with his programs and direction. I'm sure he took all views and the effects certain cuts would have on students and faculty in mind before proposing them.

Secondly, Kathy Barnes' editorial column on "Gulf truth never told" was nothing short of offensive to some members of the public. Yes, times are hard for everyone, but President George Bush is making efforts to restore stability. A simple economics course can tell you why certain things are happening, but with the government system as complicated as it is today, we can't just expect the president, or anybody, to snap their fingers and things will be perfect. Along the same lines, I, as many people that I know, do trust the government. Remember, we elected the leaders and America is a lot stronger with us standing behind it than printing items such as this column implies. If Kathy Barnes distrusts the government and system so much then perhaps she should take the time to reflect on all the benefits and things that the system give us (i.e. pell grants and federal supprt, to name just a couple among the college ranks).

I have always regarded the Northwest Missourian as a respectable publication that serves as an important news medium for University students. faculty and the community. However, I would like to see more thought and responsibility go into the reporting, "Our View" and certain editorial columns before publication.

Dale Brown

Americans should appreciate daily bread

The lady who lives next door to us bakes fresh bread for her husband every morning. We have been neighbors for 21 years - my life span - and for as long as I am able to recall, she has had a warm loaf on the table for that many by 7 a.m. daily. Variantly exotic and traditional loaves of fragrant and crusty bread are pulled from her oven rack.

I know this because my father, on. early morning outings into the back yard, would discover her throwing that morning's leftover loaf in pieces to the raccoons who reside in the adjacent woods.

My father, being the deprived waif he is (my mother refuses to bake) roared at this injustice...a waste of not only homemade bread, but freshley-baked homemade bread.

He managed to strike a deal with Mrs. Perkins: she would bring over her husband's leftover bread, and father would allow the mendicant raccoons to dine at our cats' food dishes. You see, Mr. Perkins REFUSES to eat day-old bread. Fine for him: his wife will bake every morning, my father gets the remnants, my mother isn't heckled to bake, and I get the crusty scraps upon my sporadic returns from college. We're all smiles.

My smiles faded this morning however: while listening to National Public Radio, I heard more tales from the struggling "Russian Republics." We Americans have heard of food shortages there for years, but the turbulent dissolution of the Union gave promise for a Free Market Economy where Soviets could buy what they WANTED. But today I was told on the latest - bread.

It's not that manufacturers cannot or will not produce enough, but store owners will not sell day-old bread! They instead ship it back to the factories, where it is then ground into filler for meats. This costs the stores more than they can make up in profits; consequently, they order less bread, and people go hungry. In a fledgling, hunger-ridden society, a Mr. Perkinslike mentality causes only suffering.

The report caused me to remember my home in a fine neighborhood and the delicious, new loaves we enjoy from our benevolent neighbors. To think of our coveted treats of on-

Guest Student

ion-loaf, egg- and dill-breads caused me to feel shame.

CONNIE MAGEE

The Soviet business people have taken American models of economics and living to shape and direct their incipient governments. Sadly, they have also followed our examples of greed and wastefulness. If I could find some way to appease my father's penchant for freshly-baked bread, perhaps I could have Mrs. Perkins send over those left-over loaves.

Robert De Niro Robin Williams AWAKENINGS A miracle drug pulls a patient from a deep coma—but can he make up for lost time?



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5 p.m

The Paper Chase 7 p.m. Criminal Justice

8:30 p.m. Dream Trap

Inside the NFL

10 p.m.

Fri. Jan. 31

5 p.m.

Dakota

7p.m.

Young Guns II

8:45 p.m. Action Jackson

10:30 a.m.

Tales From the

Crypt

11:30 p.m. Real Sex

5:15 p.m.

Look Who's Talking

Sat. Feb. 1

7 p.m.

Awakenings

9 p.m.

Live Heavy Weight Boxing

11:30 p.m.

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10:30 a.m.

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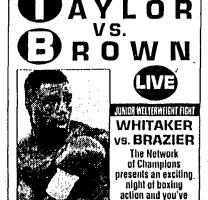
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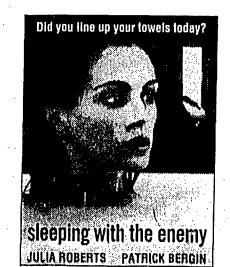
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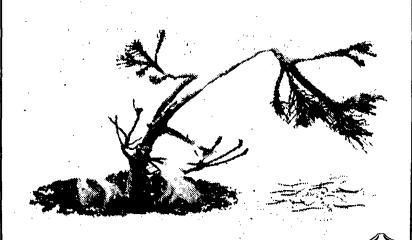
regarding political candidates was timely and important. You advised: "We must investigate and question political candidates preventing problems before they start." Also, citizens, especially college students, should take an active part in helping to select candidates in each political party.

During the years I taught at Northwest, I encouraged students to participate in the political process by sponsoring the Young Democrats. I continued my interest since I retired to Mountain Home, Ark., in 1979. During most of this time, Bill Clinton has been governor of the state and is now a candidate for president of the United States. I recommend him to you.

Clinton is a person who appeals to college students. He is young, dynamic and charismatic. He was a Rhodes scholar and a college professor. His message is broad-based and well-stated. Thinking that you are going to include material about the various presidential candidates, I am enclosing Clinton's Announcement Speech and the New Covenant Speech.

I hope that the College Democrat and Republican Clubs are organized and that all students are taking an interest in the presidential campaign. As you advise, now is the time to investigate candidates.

James L. Lowe



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UNIVERSITY

Lab Series begins new semester: A comedy for mature audiences about men, women, sex and their roles in the 1990s will be the first presentation of the Theater department's Lab Series this semester.

"Pelvic Variations" will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31, and Saturday, Feb. 1, in Charles Johnson Theater. Tickets for the show are \$1 and will be available at the door.

The play was written by Jim Hanna, a former University of Nebraska-Lincoln student who is now a graduate student at the University of Southern California. "Pelvic Variations" was first presented at the American College Theater Festival last spring.

West African art exhibited: Art and life in West Africa will be depicted in the next Department of Art exhibit.

"Kings, Spirits and Community: Art and Life in West Africa" will go on display in the DeLuce Gallery Monday, Feb. 3. The gallery is on the first floor of the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building.

The exhibit from the Brooklyn Museum will be on display until Friday, Feb. 21. The gallery is open from 6-8 p.m. Monday; 1-3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; and 1:30-3:30 p.m.Saturday and Sunday.

William Seigmann, associate curator of African, Oceanic and New World Art at the Brooklyn Museum will give a lecture at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, in the Charles Johnson Theater. The official gallery opening and reception are scheduled to begin at 8 p.m.

The exhibit includes a selection of 24 to 30 works in its particular cultural setting with descriptions of the role the object plays in the political or spiritual life of the community in which it was created.

Professor to speak: Dr. Alex Ching Jr., assistant professor of agriculture, was featured speaker at what was billed as the first annual meeting of the Missouri Vegetable

Growers Association. Ching, who directs the Alternative Crops Program within the

University's department of agriculture, spoke Tuesday, Jan. 28, on Dr. Alex Ching Jr. "Vegetable Production Techniques in Other Areas."



Student wins money: During the latter half of the semester last fall, members of the St. Joseph chapter of the National Federation of the Blind were asking people, "What could you do with \$100?" Their explanation was if a person spent \$1 for a raffle ticket, he/she may be selected to win the \$100 prize. At the Dec. 14 meeting the winning ticket was drawn from 300 tickets sold.

The winning ticket was purchased by Curtis Lanning, a freshman studying pre-med.

The National Federation of the Blind is an organization comprised of blind and sighted individuals who work to provide various opportunities for and improve the quality of life of people who are blind.

For more information about the NFB contact Tina Ektermanis, 224 Douglas, extension 6403.

Senior receives national scholarship: Nicole Rowlette, a senior history major, is the recipient of a \$500 national scholarship from the Order

of Omega. Order of Omega is a Greek honorary which recognizes outstanding

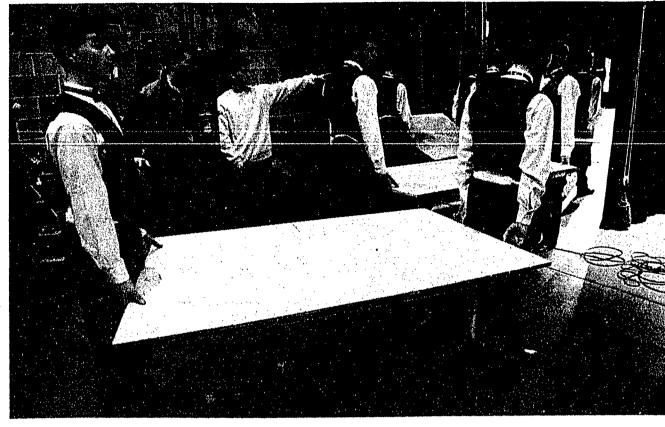
leaders of Greek organizations. Rowlette was one of several national winners of the scholarship. Criteria for the award included schol-

arship, service and leadership.

A charter member of the Order of Nicole Rowlette Omega chapter, Rowlette is a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha. She was also the student representative to the Board of Regents. This semester, Rowlette is interning in Washington, D.C., with the United States Department of Justice.

Order of Omega Initiates members: Order of Omega, a Greek honorary which recognizes outstanding leaders of Greek organizations on campus, recently initiated 10 new

Those initiated include Gary Dresback, Tau Kappa Epsilon; Anthony Ferris, Delta Sigma Phi; Leanne Hagan, Sigma Sigma Sigma; Mark Johannesman, Sigma Phi Epsilon; Mindy Lee, Alpha Sigma Alpha; Jennifer Mees, Phi Mu; Ann O'Connor, Sigma Sigma Sigma; Adam Seaman, Delta Chi; and Loree Sheldon, Phi Mu. Dr. Ann Rowlette was inducted as a faculty member.



Members of WHS Varsity Swing Choir of Walnut, lowa, prepare to take the stage in the finals competition of the swing choir festival held Saturday, Jan. 25, in Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. WHS Varsity Swing Choir won the small vocal group category under the supervision of Penny Talbot, a graduate of Northwest. Don Carrick/Photo Director

MARYVILLE

City not responsible for inventory: Maryville City Manager Bill Galletly said the city is not responsible for the inventory of Leroy's Store of Colors.

The southeast corner of Leroy's collapsed Friday, Jan. 24, while crews were cleaning up the remains of the Maryville

Leroy Wedlock has 30 days to remove his inventory.

Galletly said the rest of the cleanup was on schedule. Phase III will begin in February. (Maryville Daily Forum)

OTHER CAMPUSES

Testing results in safer sex practices: Heterosexual men and women who undergo HIV testing, education and counseling use safer sex practices after testing, even when the last result is negative, according to a university study.

The UCLA School of Medicine study was conducted at a clinic for sexually transmitted diseases. The subjects were assigned to one of two groups. Ninety-four were tested for HIV, and 92 were not.

The group that received the HIV test and the group that did not had similar sexual activities at the time of the visit. At a follow-up interview, there were no changes in AIDS knowledge, mental health or general health for both groups. However, those who had been tested for HIV were much more concerned about getting AIDS than they had one month

"We were concerned that a negative test would encourage behavior for HIV, and it is very gratifying that it is the opposite," Dr. Neil Wenger, assistant professor of medicine and principal investigator, said. (TMS)

MU freshman dies in fall: A University of Missouri freshman died Friday, Jan. 24, after he jumped from a stalled elavator in a residence hall and fell five floors, authories said.

Colin Prock, 19, who lived in Laws Hall, was pronounced dead about 10:30 p.m. at the scene, Vernie Fountain, investigator with the medical examiner's office in Columbia, said.

Prock and 15 other students were riding in an elevator with a 2,000-pound capacity when it stopped between the third and fourth floors, Major Jack Watring, of the university police department, said.

"It was a situation where it was overloaded, and it stopped as it does when it's overloaded," Mary Still, a university spokeswoman, said. (Kansas City Star)

STATE

1-44 plays role in drug trafficking: A station wagon with California license plates was stopped near Springfield by the Highway Patrol for tailgating a tractor-trailer along Interstate 44. Inside, a trooper found 239 pounds of cocaine.

A car driven by a man from Mexico was stopped for driving on the shoulder of the interstate. Troopers found 350 pounds of marijuana.

It seems almost daily along the bustling interstate that cuts across Missouri from Joplin to St. Louis, police take in pounds of illegal drugs. More was confiscated last year than ever

Interstate 44 stretches just 640 miles from Texas to Illinois. It easily connects to highways to both coasts and to U.S. borders to the north and south.

More drugs are confiscated in traffic stops along Interstate 44 than any place else in Missouri. Last year alone the Highway Patrol seized 10,315 pounds of marijuana and more than 600 pounds of cocaine on the interstate, nearly twothirds of the marijuana and cocaine found statewide. (Kansas City Star)

NATION

Clinton faces allegations of adultery: Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton and front-runner for the Democratic presidential nomination, told a nationwide television audience that rumors about sexual infidelity should be irrelevant to his campaign.

Clinton denied claims of an affair with Gennifer Flowers, an Arkansas woman, but he would not deny ever having committed adultery. (Kansas City Star)

Bush makes proposal to Congress: President George Bush wants to repeal the luxury tax on yachts and will propose a substantial increase in the federal budget for feeding and vaccinating poor children.

Confidential proof will be sent to Congress, indicating that Bush also will propose a doubling of federal spending to control tuberculosis, as well as public housing. (Kansas City

U.S. helped Iraq earlier than believed: Former intelligence and U.S. State Department officials said the Reagan administration secretly decided to provide highly-classified intelligence to Iraq in the spring of 1982, more than two years earlier than previously disclosed. (Kansas City Star)

WORLD

Strike leaves two in space: A threatened strike by technical workers in Moscow's main ground control station left two Russian cosmonauts sitting in a space station miles above the Earth.

The workers were angry that they earn far less than manual laborers and bus and taxi drivers. (Kansas City Star)

U.S. to grant Israel housing loan guarantees: Jerusalem Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said the United States should forget about a freeze on Israeli settlements.

He claimed Washington had decided to grant Israel vital housing loan guarantees that Shamir seeks for Soviet immi-

According to sources in Washington, it was suggested that U.S. objections to the Jewish settlements might be met if Israel stopped building new homes. (Kansas City Star)

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORT

Jan. 20 12:27 p.m. A larceny was reported in Richardson Hall. Thirteen blue cushions were removed from the lounge. 4 p.m. A female reported to Campus Safety that she had been receiving harassing phone calls.

Jan. 24 2:15 a.m. Officers recovered stolen property in Phillips Hall. A free-standing Camel sign taken from a store in Andrew County was found. A male and female were summoned to the dean of students.

3:20 p.m. Harassment was reported to Campus Safety. A female reported that she has been receiving harassing mail and phone calls from a person known to her.

4:29 p.m. A female reported that she had been receiving harassing phone calls.

Jan. 25 8:51 a.m. Vandalism was reported in lot 25. A female reported that someone had broken both of her tail-light lenses on her 1984 Oldsmobile.

Jan. 26 9:27 a.m. Officers received a report of a personal injury in Wilson Hall. A female reported when she awoke, she could not move her right knee. She was transported to St. Francis Hospital by ambulance.

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THURSDAY, JAN. 30

College of Business Town Hall meeting 228 Colden, 4 p.m.

Graduate Student Library Orientation Electronic Classroom, 6 p.m.

CAPs film: "The Fisher King" MLPAC, 7:30 p.m.

Sigma Phi Epsilon Rush Bowling Bearcat Lanes, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 31

Metalsmithing exhibit closes **DeLuce Gallery**

Last day to audit semester classes Registrar's office

CAPs film: "The Fisher King" MLPAC, 7:30 p.m.

Lab Series "Pelvic Variations" Charles Johnson, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEB. 1

C-Base Test 228 Colden, 8 a.m.

GRE 228 Colden, 8 a.m.

Sigma Phi Epsilon Blades Game Kemper Arena, 4:30 p.m.

"Some Enchanted Evening" Conference Center, 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEB. 2

"Streetcar Named Desire" auditions MLPAC, 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, FEB. 3

West Africa art exhibit opens **DeLuce Gallery**

Sigma Phi Epsilon Rush Smoker Sig Ep House, 5 p.m.

> Sigma Phi Epsilon Fight Night deadline Sig Ep House

Graduate Student Library Orientation Electronic Classroom, 6 p.m.

Chinese Golden Acrobats MLPAC, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEB. 4

Sigma Society meeting Brown Hall, 5 p.m.

Student Senate Town Hall meeting University Club, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 5

Student Teachers meeting Union Ballroom, 4 p.m.

Phi Eta Sigma meeting Regents Room, 5 p.m.

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City)," she said.

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community theaters and the remaining 10 percent are for special groups

Cast member Suzy Nakamura said

that originally all of the material they used was improvisation. Every night at the main theater in Chicago, after the regular show, they perform a set

of skits that are performed using sug-

these improv sessions and if they see

something they like, they will tran-

Student reaction was positive.

was a refreshing difference (from

regular comedians). They made us

look at ourselves in a humorous way."

man Leticia Armstrong, "Saturday

Night Live" needs to watch a group

like this. "Saturday Night Live could

take a lesson from them (Second

According to one student, fresh-

Freshman Dionne Ivanko said, "It

Thies said they videotape all of

gestions from the audience.

Bush discusses economic woes in State address

By TRACI TODD Associate Editor

"I know we're in hard times, but I know something else: This is not going to stand," President George Bush told Congress in reference to the economic situation in his State of the Union address on Tuesday, Jan. 28.

In his address, Bush called for tax breaks for families, improved social programs and a deeper cut in defense to help the slumping economy.

Bush said he was as focused on solving the economic problems of the country as he was in fighting Iraq last

To cure the economic woes, Bush suggested an assortment of tax breaks and credits that would expand the amount of money coming into the economy.

Bush asked Congress to enact some of his proposals, one of which is a five-month extension of unemployment benefits by March 20.

For families, Bush proposed an

increase in the deduction for dependent children; penalty-free withdrawal from Individual Retirement Accounts for educational and medical needs; a tax credit for first-time home buyers from the first of February until the end of the year; and tax deductions of interest paid on student

Bush briefly discussed his health care proposal which will give an income tax credit of \$3,750 to lowincome families to buy health insurance along with some type of tax deduction for middle class families.

The 1993 budget, which was sent to Congress Wednesday, Jan. 29, calls for a freeze in many domestic programs, other than Social Security. It also calls for the deletion of 246 federal programs.

In defense spending, \$50 million is scheduled to be cut over five years. One such cut is reducing the production of B-2 stealth bombers. The production, which takes place in Missouri, will be limited to 20 planes.

Faculty, staff express concerns at meeting

By JAMI JOHNSON Contributing Writer

A tone of concern kept the room at a hush until the arrival of the key speaker. Faculty and staff from the College of Arts and Humanities had gathered Tuesday, Jan. 28, in the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts building to express this concern. The impact of proposed budget cuts had to be communicated to University President Dean Hubbard.

"There's not a cut that anybody likes, including any of the people that did the cutting," Hubbard said. "The idea was to minimize the number of people that would actually lose their

jobs." The most debated issue was the proposal to raise the workload of nontenure instructors to 15 hours to compensate for fewer positions.

"It is a fact that the lowest paid teachers are teaching the most sections," Dr. David Slater, professor of English, said. "It suggests the value that is being placed on these teach-

English instructors were stressing that Hubbard may be hitting an important program for students.

"It seems to me the quickest and surest way to lower the quality of teaching, especially for freshman, in something so crucial as writing," Dr.

said. "It is bound to happen."

The non-tenure track instructors also voiced their opinion and said the extra hours would burden them too heavily in the classroom setting.

"Those of us that teach composition are concerned because of the time involved with teaching 15 hours," Dr. Chanda Clary, assistant professor of English, said. "I know that there comes a saturation point when you are no longer a good teacher because you are too tired."

Hubbard said an instructor placed in a situation involving a heavy load of classes would not be expected to serve on committees, publications or engage in research projects. The response from the faculty was dismay. It was generally thought that withholding from these activities would deny them the chance of being promoted to a tenure track position.

"The way the non-tenure track people are feeling now is that we are the ones who are sacrificing," Susan Emerson, instructor of English, said. "There's nothing coming from the other way at all."

Hubbard sought their input on every topic.

"I would be amazed and dumbfounded if people who were impacted by this did not react," he said. "What we are shooting at is maintaining the financial health of this institution, Mike Jewett, professor of English, and we are giving it our best shot."

Food 4 Less plans spring opening



Jimmy Doyle and Suzy Nakamura, The Second City players, work out an improvisational skit based on suggestions from the audience. The Second City company has included such talents as John Belushi, John

Candy and Gilda Radner. Don Carrick/Photo Director Group to entertain with acrobats, magic

By YA-PING CHANG Missourian Staff

The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats and Magicians of Taipei are venturing onto campus at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, the Chinese New Year's Eve, in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

They are considered a leading acrobatic group and perform across the United States, Canada and the Caribbean Islands.

Reserved seat tickets for the family entertainment show are \$5 for Northwest students and children 12 and under; \$8 for Northwest faculty and staff, senior citizens and other students; and \$10 for adults.

According to Dave Gieseke, director of News and Information, the Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats and Magicians of Taipei will exhibit the fascinating orient for this coming performance. They feature acrobatics and the magic of the East, comedy, balancing feats and Kung Fu. In addition, they combine brightly and incredible colorful costumes with the mesmeric beat of ancient Chinese musical instruments to make the audience breathless.

The group sticks to the precise training and discipline which make

them successful. Their art is formed by centuries of tradition, and most of the acts were created and performed in China as far back as 200 B.C. Therefore, those acts have always been an integral part of the Chinese culture and the arts. Their perfect achievement through harmony between body and mind which is called an ancient concept in the Orient is demonstrated by these acts.

There are 23 acrobats, dancers and magicians in this group. In the past 10 years, they have performed in Las Vegas, Madison Square Garden and on television shows such as "Merv Griffin," "Mike Douglas" and "Wide

World of Sports." Recently, they performed in a commercial for the John Candy movie "Uncle Buck."

Joseph Ruff, a director of the English Program, who has visited many Asian countries, said he has seen this kind of acrobatic troups before at Washington Square in New York City.

"I felt nervous when the acrobat was juggling dangerous objects such as a knife, an axe and a torch," he said. Shu Chen, a graduated assistant

from Jiang-Si, China, said she saw acrobatic shows in China many times.

"I am happy I can have a chance to see the acrobats in a foreign country," she said.

to perform dinner show

Robidoux

By MELANIE BROWN

Missourian Staff

Graves vies for office This is the second in a continuing serves on the State Policy Develop-

series of political candidate coverage for the 1992 elections.

By MARSHA HOFFMAN Managing Editor

A sixth-generation Northwest Missouri resident and farmer Sam Graves, Tarkio, is running for the Fourth District State House of Representatives seat.

Graves, 28, a Republican, said after years of being indirectly involved in the political progress, he was ready to run for office.

"I've always been politically active, but it's always been indirect involvement," Graves said. "I want to be directly involved. As far as I'm concerned there's two types of people, those who complain about their surroundings and don't get anything done, and those who try to make a difference. I want to take it one step further and be part of the difference."

Graves is currently the Atchison County Farm Bureau president and ment Committee. A 1986 graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia, Graves is also a volunteer on the Tarkio city and rural fire department and rescue squad.

In addition, Graves serves on several committees, including two congressional Agricultural Advisory Committees.

Graves said his new ideas could bring about needed changes in City.

"I believe we've got a seniority system down there,

Sam Graves power base that's telling us that we need them to get us out of the situation we're in," he said. "At the same time, I also see local school districts going broke and I see our roads in deplorable conditions. I hear our seniority system telling us we need them to get us out of the very predicament I believe they have gotten us into."

For the election's most important issues, Graves said he was concentrating on education, rural health care

nology program in Northern Mis-

Rhoades added the department is

writing letters to other departments

who send students to their classes,

urging them to voice their concerns.

partment has \$172,554 worth of

came from faculty within technology.

According to Hubbard, the de-

The report said the critical data

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souri," Rhoades said.

equipment.

and economic development.

Without education you don't have economic development, industry or anything else," he said. "Tourism is important with economic development, and Mozingo will bring that right into our laps.'

"My intense commitment and my direction for Maryville and the Fourth District set me apart," Graves said. "I have a very good direction. I'm the kind of person that I set goals, take a direction and achieve those goals. I think those things set me apart."

Graves was named Missouri's

"Education is always important.

Also, Graves said he offers voters positive outlook for the future of Northwest Missouri.

Outstanding Young Farmer in 1990, and was named the National Outstanding Young Farmer in 1991 after competing against other state winners in Phoenix. His wife, Lesley, teaches in the Tarkio R-1 School District and is working on her master's degree at Northwest. They have a 2year-old daughter, Megan.

"From a number of perspectives it

is overwhelmingly clear that the de-

partment has made very little progress

urged to complete the requirements

do such things as contract with other

schools to bring in teachers, with NTS

or Missouri Western in St. Joseph, to

help the students complete their edu-

Hubbard said students would be

The following year, Northwest will

over the past 10 years."

in technology next year.

cation.

The Robidoux Resident Theater

of St. Joseph will be performing "Some Enchanted Evening," this semester's first dinner theater production, Saturday, Feb. 1. The professional community theater also made a stop at Northwest last semester for their performance of "I Do,

The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the University Conference Center where the buffet dinner, consisting of an array of meats, salads, vegetables and dessert will be served. Afterwards, the Conference Center will be transformed into a musical time capsule making stops in various scenes of numerous musicals written by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein.

"It's not a play. It's a Rodgers and Hammerstein musical revue," Dave Gieseke, director of News and Information, said.

The staging and choreography will bring more than 30 selections to life from such musicals as "Oklahoma," "South Pacific," "The King and I," and "The Sound of Music."

The revue was also performed last summer at Northwest to a sold-out audience.

A performance of "The Boys of Autumn,"which traced an older Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn and had been

originally scheduled for Feb. 1. Then, two to three weeks ago, it was cancelled when one of the two actors was forced to withdraw, according to Gieseke. Leaving too little

time for a replacement to be found, the company decided to do a repeat performance of "Some Enchanted Evening," this time with an entirely new cast. The 1992 season marks the begin-

ning of the Robidoux Resident Theater's second decade of theatrical Distinguished as the second larg-

est community theater in the state, the group provides more than 60 plays each year at its home in St. Joseph. In addition, the group's touring program has allowed other communities in the region to equally enjoy their theater performances.

As of Wednesday, Jan. 29, the Saturday performance had 25 seats available for ticket buyers. The tickets are \$20 per person and may be purchased at the Student Services Center, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 6-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, at the Mary Linn Box Office.

Budget

By TRACI TODD Associate Editor

Food 4 Less will be opening its doors in Maryville, after renovations to the former K-Mart building, located at 1718 South Main, are com-The store should be open in 45-60

done on the inside, according to the Maryville Chamber of Commerce. Applications for produce department workers, as well as retail meat cutters are still being accepted at the

days, since there is still work to be

Job Service Office in Maryville. Applications for all other jobs, such as clerks and checkers, are no longer being accepted and interviews for those positions will be held Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 3 and 4. Food 4 Less expects to hire 65 employees from this area. Don Arn from St.

The store will be a part of Falley's Inc. grocery store chain, a subsidiary of Food 4 Less Supermarkets, Inc. Falley's has 22 stores in Kansas and Missouri. The parent company operates over 250 stores.

Joseph will be store manager.

Food 4 Less officials were recently in Maryville, discussing the store and the reasons behind why the company chose to build in Maryville.

Kent Laughman, Food 4 Less president, along with Keith Buswell, director of real estate for Food 4 Less and Jeff Scott, regional district manager, visited Maryville courtesy of the Nodaway County Economic Development, Inc. and talked with area

officials. Maryville Mayor Vilas Young welcomed Food 4 Less as new citi-



Construction continues on the new Food 4 Less building at 1718 South Main. Renovations will be finished and the building opened sometime in early spring of this year. Patrick Mahoney/Contributing Photographer

zens to the city.

Transportation, education and economics were the main reason Food 4 Less chose Maryville, Laughman said in an article in the Maryville Daily

The Maryville store will be the first Food 4 Less opened in two years, since Falley's did not open a store in 1991, according to Laughman.

Maryville was fortunate to be cho-

sen as a new Food 4 Less location, but Food 4 Less was fortunate to find an area with a good work ethic Laughman said in the article.

A specific opening date had not been set, with weather being a primary factor, according to the article.

The store will operate in a warehouse fashion with quality and low prices being the center of attention, Laughman said in the article.

continued from page 1 more, but a student. Is that too much to ask?"

Alliance

The Alliance was formed partially to respond to Hubbard's remarks about non-traditional students.

According to an article in the Jan. 15 Maryville Daily Forum, "While Hubbard said non-traditional students are welcome at the university, the school is not designed to serve individuals who return to school after starting a career. He said the school does not offer a wide range of evening or weekend programs that would be used primarily by non-traditional students since it is concerned with the traditional students. Hubbard said it is those students that will be leaders

At the meeting on Wednesday,

of the future."

Hubbard's remarks were discussed.

"It makes no difference how old one is because we all have the power to change the world," McNabb said. Zebbie Bath presented a speech

titled "Discouraging Words." Several issues of interest were discussed.

"We believe that an apology, not an explanation be made by Hubbard. We do not want to be lumped into a convenient category and not be recognized as a individual. We want to feel that everyone has the right to stand up and question authority...Cut a little from every department; do not eradicate whole programs and departments. Everyone has a right in deciding what department needs to be cut. Instead of cutting out \$20,000 across the board, we propose every department cut out 5 percent from their budgets," she said in her speech.



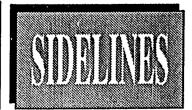
Student Forum

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About the Proposed
Budget Euts

Thurs., Jan. 30 7 p.m. Student Union Ballroom

Hosted by Student Senate





MEN'S **BASKETBALL**

Games This Week Emporia State Northeast Missouri Feb. 5

MIAA Standings Conference/Overall (through Jan. 28)

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5-1	13-3
4-2	14-3
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MIAA Games Last Week

Jan. 25 Central Mo. 79, Northwest 75 Pittsburg 101, Mo.-Rolla 99 (3OT) Mo. Southern 81, Mo.-St. Louis 71 Washburn 95, Mo. Western 83 Lincoln 80, SW Baptist 68 Emporia State 76, Northeast Mo. 70

Washburn 84, Ft. Hays 60

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Games This Week Emporia State Feb. 1 Northeast Missouri Feb. 5

MIAA Standings Conference/Overall

(through Jan. 28)			
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Pittsburg State	5-1	11-6	
Central Missouri	4-2	13-3	
Missouri Southern	4-2	9-6	
Missouri-St. Louis	4-2	6-10	
Southwest Baptist	3-3	13-4	
Missouri-Rolla	3-3	8-7	
Emporia State	3-3	6-11	
Northwest	3-3	5-10	
Missouri Western	1-5	2-11	
Northeast Missouri	1-5	2-15	
Lincoln	0-6	0-14	

MIAA Games Last Week

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INDOOR TRACK

Men's and Women's **Upcoming Events** Feb. 1 at Jayhawk Inv., Lawrence, Kan. Feb. 7 at CMSU Classic at Iowa State Classic Feb. 15 Feb. 22 at Univ. of Mo. Inv. Feb. 29 at MIAA Championships, Warrensburg

INTRAMURALS

Sports Trivia Entries close - Feb. 6 Play begins - 4 p.m. Feb. 10

Raquetball Doubles Entries close - Feb. 6 Play begins - 7 p.m. Feb. 17

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MARKEITH LEMONS

High School: O'Hara High School

On Jan. 25, Lemons ran fifth in the 200-meter dash in

"Markeith led off the mile relay with a .51 flat 400,"

Lemons won the 200-meter dash and ran second in the

22.70 seconds and ran in the mile relay helping take first

coach Richard Alsup said. "He's been working real hard and

55-meter dash at Central Missouri Jan. 18, qualifying him for

the provisional NCAA Division II indoor finals in both.

is in good shape and has been improving each week."

place in the section at the Nebraska-Lincoln Open.

Position: Track runner

Major: An/Graphic Design

Hometown: Kansas City

Class: Junior

'Cats succumb to Washburn, lack 'execution'

By DON MUNSCH Assistant Editor

Northwest lost to NCAA Division II top-ranked Washburn University, 80-70, on Wednesday, Jan. 29, dropping its record to 1-6 in the MIAA and 9-8 overall. The 'Cats have lost four in a row.

The 'Cats took an early 7-6 lead, but the Ichabods quickly responded with a basket and never looked back. Kevin Shelvin hit a jumper with 6:55 left and pulled Northwest back into the game at 64-59, but the 'Cats, after a Washburn basket at the 6:30 mark. missed on a three-point shot by Chris Johnson and never challenged again.

Northwest was hindered by poor execution and turnovers. Coach Steve Tappmeyer attributed the lack of execution to the Washburn defense.

"When that happens, you look at a team's defense, and they have a sound defense," Tappmeyer said. "We need to start off a game with sound execution. A lot of it (poor play) is just lack of sound execution."

Both teams shot 49 percent for the game, but the Ichabods, 6-1 in conference and 16-1 overall, took advantage of free throws, hitting 25 of 33 from the stripe compared to the the 'Cats 13 of 21.

"They've probably got the best in the league in shooting, outside and inside, and from the three-point line," Tappmeyer said, adding the 'Cats were just a basket or two away from keeping the game closer.

With the Ichabods ranked number one, some wonder if they are worthy of their top billing. Tappmeyer thinks so.

"A lot of people say, 'Oh, they don't look like the best in the country," Tappmeyer said. "But this is a tough conference. And at this level they're as close to the best as you

The Ichabods are tied with Missouri Western. Three teams - Missouri Southern, Pittsburg State and Central Missouri – have 5-2 records.

Jarrod Harrell led all Bearcat scorers with 21 points.

A traveling call on Larry Brown seemed to be just what Central Missouri needed as the Mules defeated Northwest 79-75 Saturday, Jan. 25, in Warrensburg. The Bearcats lost the previous game to Central at home 69-54.

With about 11 minutes left in regulation and the 'Cats up 59-51, Brown was called for traveling after hitting a three-point shot.

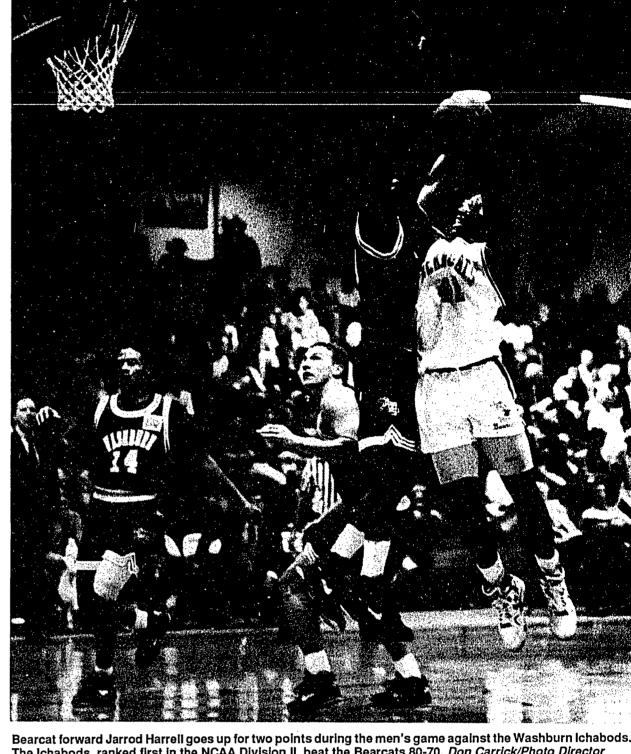
However, the shot was waved off and Central scored the next 15 points to take a 66-59 lead.

The game was later viewed on videotape by Bearcat coaches. "The coaches came to the conclu-

sion that it wasn't traveling. My feet weren't moving." Brown said.

"That could have been the turning point of the game." "It (the tape) did not show travel-

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The Ichabods, ranked first in the NCAA Division II, beat the Bearcats 80-70. Don Carrick/Photo Director

Bearkittens downed by national power

By TERESA HOBBS Missourian Staff

The Bearkittens were defeated 55-44, Wednesday, Jan. 29, in Lamkin Gym by the nationally-ranked Washburn University Lady Blues.

Washburn is 10th in the NCAA Division II standings and is 15-2 overall, while the 'Kittens are now 5-11 overall and 3-4 in the MIAA.

The 'Kittens trailed the Lady Blues

from the beginning of the game. At halftime the 'Kittens were down 30-

"I thought they played very well," head coach Wayne Winstead said. "It was just at the last 30 seconds that we gave them two quick baskets."

The 'Kittens had trouble getting their offense off on the right track.

"We couldn't get our offense generated and had trouble getting the ball down through the hoop," senior Danae

Wagner led the 'Kittens with 14

points and six rebounds. "I thought we played very well,

again our offense just lacked."

tens played with a different defense. "We changed our defense this week and played a little zone. We held them down to a decent amount of points."

The Lady Blues had previously defeated the 'Kittens 94-74 on Jan. 8. During that game, Shelley Foster scored a career-high 30 points and Amy Renyer had a career-high 18 rebounds for Washburn. The 'Kittens high scorer was Kenkel with 19 points and Wagner had eight rebounds.

On Saturday, Jan. 25, the Bearkittens traveled to Warrensburg to play the Central Missouri State Jennies, and were defeated 84-61.

The 'Kittens took a 2-0 lead but the Jennies scored the next 13 points on their upcoming games where they and went on to defeat the 'Kittens 84-

Wagner said. "We needed more move-tensity we needed," Wagner said. "We ment and we couldn't get the ball to hit a dry spot and couldn't get the ball through the hoop."

CMSU shot 62 percent in the first points and six rebounds. Lisa Kenkels, half and 60 percent in the second half also helped the Bearkittens with 11 from the field, while the 'Kittens shot 35 percent during the contest.

'We didn't shoot very well, and with a lot of intensity," Winstead they shot well, that accounts for the said. "We played hard defense, but most of it," Kenkel said.

Kenkel helped the 'Kittens with Winstead also noted that the 'Kit- 18 points, eight rebounds and four assists. Wagner contributed 13 points. This win raised the Jennies to 6-0 at home. Center Tracie Morris led CMSU with 21 points and nine rebounds.

"Central is a hard place to play and it's a hard place to win," Kenkel said. "We didn't get off on the right foot. It seems it just started when the clock started."

The next three games for the Bearkittens will be played at home against Emporia State University, Northeast Missouri State and Missouri Southern.

"It will be nice to play at home," Wagner said.

The Bearkittens are concentrating will be in a familiar territory.

"We didn't come out with the in- see BEARKITTENS on page 8

highest placing Bearkitten individual.

Faber finished fourth in the 800-meter

ished in the top 10 in two events. In

the triple jump Cummings placed

fourth, with a jump of 38-4 1/4. She

also had a 10th place finish in the high

MIAA's Women's Track Athlete of

the Week for her performance Satur-

day, Jan. 18, at the CMSU Open. She

finished first in the long jump, second

in the high jump and third in the triple

jump. Her high jump of 5-3 3/4 inches

qualified her for the NCAA Division

performance," Bearkitten coach

Charlene Cline said. "Many times

season, senior Robb Kellogg said,

"There is more support among the

team this year. The runners will come

over and watch the throwers, which is

exciting because there is more inter-

On Feb. 1, both teams travel down

action among the whole team."

Jayhawk Invitational.

were improved at this meet."

Cummings was also named the

Sophomore Diane Cummings fin-

run with a time of 2:26.35.

jump, with a jump of 5-3.

II provisionals.

KELLEY VANGUNDY Now that the big game is over, many of you are suffering from what-

Blues cured

with other

activities

I call post-Super Bowl blues, the boredom or depression suffered during the break between the end of football season and the beginning of baseball Don't worry. Post-Super Bowl-

blues are common. Many people go through periods of not knowing what: to do once this lull transpires, but never fear, I'll help you get through. the rough road.

The month of February offers some excellent entertainment. The 1992 Winter Olympic games begin Feb. 8, and the NBA All-Star game is on Feb. 9. With all the coverage on the Olympic games, it looks like we may be seeing sports around the clock. Especially if you get the special triplecast offered by the network.

Another sport that I have taken a liking to recently is hockey. I attended my first game over the holiday break and loved it. If you know anything about soccer, you should be able to pick up on hockey fairly easy. Check it out, it's fast paced and full of action. And the Kansas City team is really good. Tickets are reasonable as well.

Another alternative is to check out campus athletics. Over the past few weeks both the women's and men's basketball teams have played close and exciting games. The teams will continue to play through the end of February, including six home games. Women's softball begins in spring and baseball begins in February with their first home game on the 28th.

After transferring here from Ari-"I was pleased with the team's zona, I have really began to enjoy listening to the University of Missouri-Columbia Tigers play. You can always catch them on the radio, which With being the second meet of the i a nice switch from television. It lets you use your imagination more.

Several professional teams are doing good too. The Chicago Bulls are having an exceptional season, and my team, the Phoenix Suns, have had a good turn around.

Well, I hope I have added some insight to any of you who are suffersouth to Lawrence, Kan., for the ing from this dilemma and even if you're not, you may enjoy yourself.

in a 55-44 loss to Washburn University. Don Carrick/Photo Director Sealy sets new 3,000 -meter school record Freshman Carrie Faber was the

BV ANNE LARSON Missourian Staff

The Northwest men's and women's track teams traveled to Lincoln, Neb., to compete at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Open on Saturday, Jan. 25.

The Bearcats faced tough competition in all events because they not only competed against Division II and Junior Colleges, but Division I schools. There was no team scoring at this open, only individual scoring.

The highest placing Bearcats were senior Eric Green, who placed in the

top 10 of in two events. Green placed fifth in the 800-meters with a time of 1 minute, 59, 03 seconds. In the mile run, Green placed sixth with a time of 4:19.32.

Bearkitten Lisa Kenkel makes a move for the inside Wednesday, Jan. 29

Junior Jeff Mally also placed in the top 10 in two events. Mally placed eighth in the triple jump, with a distance of 45-5 1/4 and ninth in the long jump, with a jump of 21-9.

"The competition was harder since we were competing with Division I schools," Mally said. "This meet pushed me more because it was tougher competition."

Senior Kenrick Sealy set a new

Northwest record with his time of 8:32.6 in the 3,000-meter run. This is also a new record for Barbados, Sealy's home country.

Senior Robb Kellogg had the highest placing at the open with a third in the 35-pound throw, with a throw of "It was very exciting at this open.

It is not like others because you get a chance to compete against Division I schools, not like in football or baseball," Kellogg said.

The Bearkittens had two individuals who placed in the top 10 at the



Coach Richard Alsup talks to the men's track team before practice

Wednesday, Jan. 29. Jon Britton/Staff Photographer

SPORTS-



Intramural referee Darrin Gessert takes control of a five on five basketball game in Lamkin Gym, Jan. 27. Students must know game rules and pass a test in order to become a referee. Larry Smith/Staff Photographer

Calling it as they see it

Intramural 'refs' blow the whistle

By JENIFER GATHERCOLE
Missourian Staff

Referee. To some it is a word that instantly brings about thoughts of black and white striped shirts, blowing whistles and bad calls. But to students involved in the Northwest intramural program, referees are the backbone of each game that is played.

Intramurals are a sacred part of Northwest's athletic department. They give students who are not on University teams the chance to have some fun. They allow independents, fraternity and sorority members the chance to participate in some friendly, yet intense, competition. And they also enable several Northwest students to earn some extra money while officiating the sports they enjoy.

"I am able to earn the extra money I need for food, gas and living expenses by refereeing about six games a week," junior Fred Gude said. "That's really why I do it."

Other students like the money available in refereeing but have other reasons for taking the job.

"I really like sports a lot and I referee for both the money and the fun of it," freshman Doug Clark said. "It can get to be very time consuming, but I enjoy sports enough to put the time into it."

Getting hired as an intramural referee does not mean the applicant has to be a physical education major. It simply requires a basic knowledge of the rules and regulations of certain sports.

"I would say about half of the referee staff are going into teaching, coaching or physical education, but the rest are just people who like sports," Gude said.

After new referees are hired, the University puts each new employee through a short training program.

"Before they let us begin refereeing we had to take a test over the rules of the games we would be doing," Clark said. "Then they took us out onto the field or court and ran us through some drills and mechanics of the different games. They showed us what to do in certain situations we might run into in a game, and showed us the right signals to use."

Once the referees have finished their training, they are able to begin officiating a certain number of games each week.

Intramural referees go through many different experiences as they perform their duties, and as the games heat up the attitudes of the players flare up too. Referees do not have many physical encounters with the players, and try to be sensitive when dealing with unhappy players.

"I have been refereeing for three years and have not had too many runins with the players because I realize they are basically two different people," senior Jennifer Miksch said. "They are one person when they are playing a game, and are another person when they are not competing for their team. When they're the athlete and the game is getting intense, they tend to get attitudes, especially if they don't like something I do. That's when they start to get lippy, but they also realize that I'm not perfect and we try to work together."

Other referees use their position as an official to get players to follow

"I've never had a physical fight with a player who was mad at me," Clark said. "They always get a little worked up though. One time when I was refereeing a touch football game this guy didn't want to take his earring out. He had just got it pierced but the rules are no jewelry. I kept telling him over and over to take it out and he didn't really want to. It took a lot of arguing to get him to take it out, but he knew we would have thrown him out of the game if he didn't. I guess he wanted to play pretty badly."

Another problem the referees sometime face is having to referee a game in which their close friends are participating. They agree it is hard to be unbiased, and often try to avoid the situation altogether.

"Sometimes it's hard to have your friends playing in a game you have to referee," Gude said. "I don't do any of the fraternity games since I'm a TKE. Once in awhile I will get scheduled to ref them, but I usually make arrangements so that I will not have to. It helps to avoid conflicts."

Other referees have tried to establish to their friends the fact that they are simply doing their job and it is nothing personal when they make calls against them.

"I don't have any problems with being unfair when my friends are playing in a game I'm refereeing because they know that I'm out there to do my job," Miksch said. "I call the plays just like I see them, no matter who it effects, and my friends understand that it is nothing personal."

Intramural referees occasionally find fans are harder on them than the players are.

"Sometimes when I'm refereeing a game the crowd won't like the call I make and they'll get a little mean," Miksch said. "If the supervisors who work with us cannot calm them down, I can usually take the team captains aside and ask them to calm their friends down. That usually works."

The players can also cause problems when they do not feel the referces are qualified for their jobs.

"Sometimes the players will give me slack," Miksch said. "These guys really get into their game and if I make a call they do not like, they think I don't know what I'm talking about since I'm a girl. I usually ignore them when they do that."

One thing that the Northwest intramural referees have realized is how difficult it really is to be a referee. There are many problems and hard decisions involved in officiating a game, not to mention difficult fans and players.

"I think that I look at referees differently now that I have been a ref myself," Clark said. "Especially in basketball because you have only two referees and a big crowd. It's a lot harder than most people think because the crowd gives you a lot of slack and it's easier to make calls from the stands than it is from the floor. The crowd can really get to you, but you just have to ignore the crowd and call them like you see them."

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ing,"Tappmeyer said, adding that the traveling call came late and was missed by the referee. "But I thought we should have been able to overcome it. We were up eight points at the time."

The Bearcats came within two points, 77-75, with 18 seconds left, but two free throws from Central's Stacey Martin capped off the scoring and the game.

Brown led all scorers with 19 points, with Kevin Shelvin scoring 16. Tom Harris and Jarrod Harrell added 13 and 11, respectively.

"Close losses are really tough on the team," Tappmeyer said, adding that eight or 10-point losses don't have the same impact as close losses. "I think our kids will try to keep their heads up. It's just a matter of keeping our heads up; and I think it's possible that things could turn around."

The close losses are weighing heavy on some Bearcat players.

"I don't think that its not that we're not playing hard," forward Darrell Wrenn said. "I just think that in the last couple minutes of the game a team has been able to put together a scoring run and it's been hard to overcome."

To improve, Wrenn said the team needs to duplicate the things it did at the beginning of the year—playing together as a team and helping out on defense, for instance.

"I think that if our shooting percentage improves, we'll improve as a team," Wrenn said.

Northwest will now set its sights on Emporia State on Saturday, Feb. 1, at 8 p.m. in Lamkin Gym. Previously in the NAIA and currently in a dual NCAA/NAIA status, the Hornets are a new member of the MIAA conference. The 'Cats have not faced Emporia State, 3-3 in the MIAA and 10-5 overall, since 1983.

Emporia State features two transfer players who have contributed the bulk of the Hornets scoring, combining for an average of almost 40 points per game. Senior Eddie Williams, a 6'4" forward from the University of Texas-El Paso, is averaging 22.1 points per game and guard James McCallop, a 6'2" sophomore from

Tulsa, is averaging 16.7 points per game. Williams scored 20 or more points in four straight games this year "I thin!

from Jan. 3-11. McCallop is shooting 53 percent from the field and 41 percent from three-point range.

The Hornets also possess a scoring and rebounding threat in junior Andy Uphoff, a 6'8" center, who has averaged 14.5 points and 9.1 rebounds

from the field and free-throw line.

Rounding out the Hornets lineup are junior Marcellus Stiede, a 6'7" forward and senior Brad Henry, a 6'0" guard.

per game. Uphoff has shot 59 percent

The 'Cats face Northeast Missouri at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, in Lamkin Gym. Northwest dropped the previous meeting on Jan. 15, 69-54, in Kirksville, giving the Bulldogs their lone MIAA victory.

Northeast is 1-5 in conference play, 7-10 overall.

Two Bulldogs have double-figure scoring averages. Senior Dale Reid, a 6'5" forward, is averaging over 15.4 points per game and senior Justin Matthews, a 6'6" guard/forward, averaging 14.5 points per game.

Comprising the rest of the Bulldogs' lineup are senior Matt Clements, a 6'5" forward; Rick Rigsbee, a 6'6" center; and senior Randy Brock, a 6'1" guard.

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"I think it's important to focus on the games we have coming," Kenkel said. "We have home games coming up, and the next couple of games are important for us. I think we can learn from Saturday night's game, but we can't dwell on it. We should just focus on the task at hand."

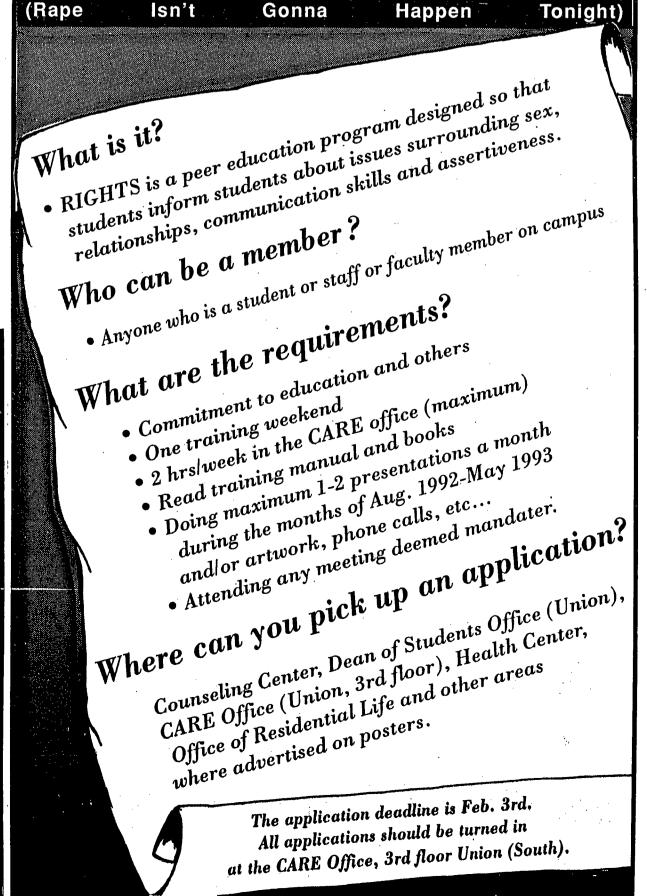
On Saturday, Feb. 1, the Emporia State Lady Hornets will travel to Maryville to take on the Bearkittens at 6 p.m. in Lamkin Gym.

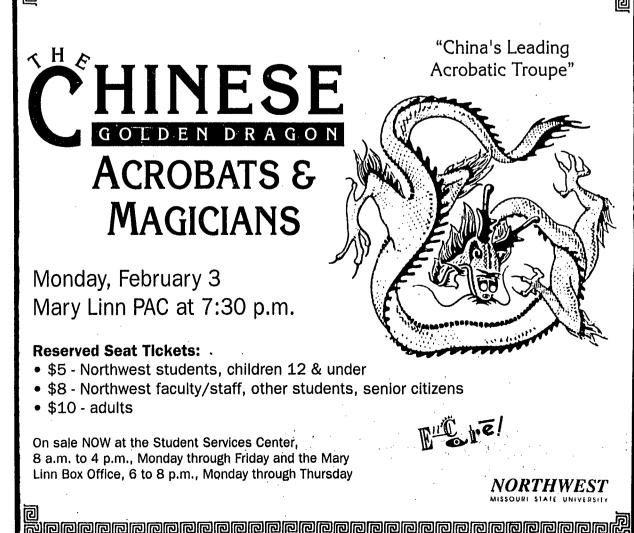
The Lady Hornets record for last season was 23-4. Their head coach, Val Schierling, is the Lady Hornets winningest women's basketball coach in ESU history. Last year, Emporia lost to Fort Hays State in the NAIA District 16 championship, 68-55. The team lost only two of its players.

This is the first year for ESU to enter the MIAA, but they were 7-1 against MIAA teams last year.

The Northeast Missouri Lady Bulldogs will play the Bearkittens on Thursday, Feb. 5. Northeast has four returning letterwinners and two returning squad members. The 'Kittens defeated the Lady Bulldogs 69-58 in Kirksville, Jan. 15. During the game Kenkel, Wagner and Sara Hemminger each scored 15 points for the 'Kittens.







On the Agenda

DREAM A LITTLE DREAM

Senior Laura Pierson has been chosen for the USA Today Academic Team. She will receive her award in Washington, D.C., on Jan. 31. page B2

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Local drinking establishments offer students entertainment, relaxation and a chance to socialize. page B3

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Soap operas provide escape from daily demands

striking, young woman with shiny, manageable hair sits at a table in the town's most popular restaurant and reminisces with her childhood friend about the

full life she has led (and she's not kidding). She's been married three times, returned from the dead, not once, but twice, is a member of the Witness Protection Program, is currently married to her sister's ex-husband, and just discovered she has an evil twin sister who is trying to kill her. Whew, now that's enough to wear anyone out!

Yes, it's the same old soap opera plots and dilemmas. As with all troubles, matters will eventually straighten out, and worse crises will occur to the characters we have grown to love, envy and despise. Over the past 40 years, millions of people have tuned the world out and tuned into these intriguing and often far-fetched, fantasy-filled programs.

Traditionally, housewives were thought to be the only people who watched soap operas. However, there are a significant number of college students throughout the country who race back to the dorms in between classes to see what their favorite soap opera characters are up to.

Some, like Michael Goss, senior, are casual viewers who catch their favorite soap once a week.

"If I have nothing else to do, I'll watch my soap. I have never scheduled my classes around soap operas though," Goss said.

In contrast, there are avid viewers who will do almost anything to catch

"I used to ditch school all the time to watch 'All My Children," Francine Hansen, senior, said. She hastens to add that she no longer passes up classes to keep up with the escapades of Pine Valley's finest, Erica Kane.

"I arranged my class schedule around my soap until this year. But there were classes in my major that I needed to take so that I could graduate. I try to watch it once a week. Sometimes I find someone who can tape it for me," Hansen said.

For many, soap operas provide an escape from daily demands and responsibilities. With their wacky plots and handsome heroes, they are harmless diversions from reality.

"It lets you forget about it all. You know your life isn't bad after watching those soap operas," Laurie Waldbillig, senior, said.

Waldbillig said she does have some complaints about her favorite soaps, however.

"It really makes me mad when they take out a great character and they replace him with someone else," she

Despite the usual complaints by all soap watchers about the unrealistic schemes, frequent cast changes and drawn out plots, people keep watching soap operas.

It might be attributed to the fact that many people were introduced to the zany and confusing world of soaps dance of madness and mayhem in before they entered grade

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school. They have been with many of the characters for years.

"I started watching 'Days of Our Lives' with my mom when I was 7-years-old. I feel like I know these people; it's

almost like they are part of my family," Amy Davis, sophomore,

After watching them laugh, cry, celebrate and grieve, it's not surprising that many viewers feel a close connection to their favorite charac-

"I'd cry if they ever took my soap off the air," Davis added.

For those of you who don't have the time or the opportunity to watch your soap every day, there are other ways to keep updated. Many newspapers, such as the Kansas City Star, provide weekly synopsis on all your favorite shows.

If you need more than just a few sentences highlighting the weekly

events of your favorite soap, there are soap opera magazines that are available at most grocery stores. Soap Opera Digest and Soap Opera Weekly are devoted entirely to soap opera news and gossip. They are packed with pictures of favorite daytime stars, plot updates, celebrity interviews and hints of things to come.

Bill Hackett, senior, likes to flip through these magazines as he shops.

"I don't purchase the magazines, but when I'm at the store I like to look through them to catch up on the episodes that I miss," he said.

In the past five years, soap operas have begun to grapple with family issues. They are dealing with issues that were once controversial or plainly taboo, such as AIDS, child abuse, alcoholism, interracial relationships. mental illness and homelessness.

While you will still find an abunyour favorite soap opera, you

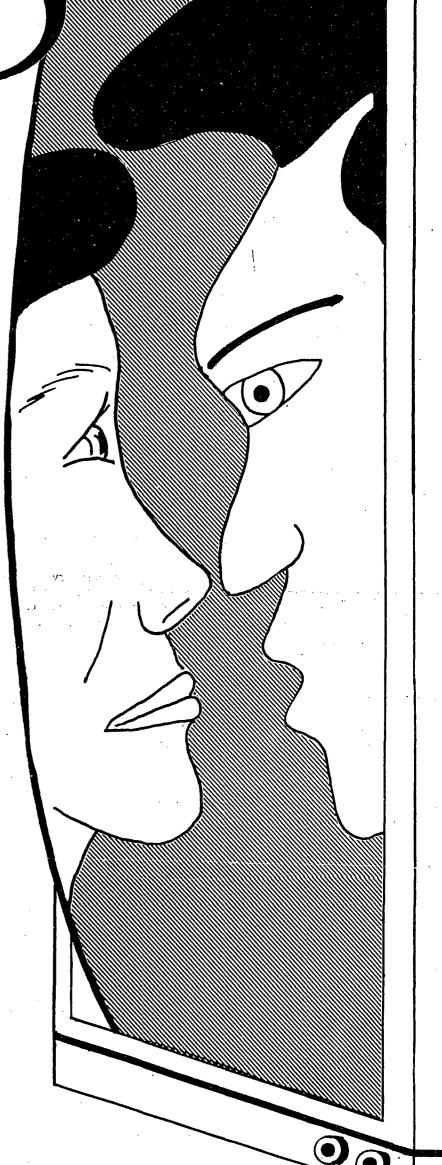
might also find a great deal of education and insight on the social

> issues and injustices we all encounter. Perhaps it is this pleasant mixture of reality and the ridiculous that keeps us glued to the tube all afternoon.

Somewhere between the marriages, births, deaths, engage-

ments, broken engagements, returns from the dead and annulments, the good folks from Pine Valley to Salem and Springfield to Santa Barbara have won the hearts and imaginations of thousands of loyal viewers.

And what, you ask, about the woman with the shiny, manageable hair that we met at the beginning? Well, she just received a phone call from her husband, who has just recovered from amnesia. He has just spoken to his former fiancee, who he thought had died in an airplane crash over the South American jungle. She was found in a convent by his missionary mother...some things will never change.



by Jennifer Damiani

From Left Field

DON CARRICK

I couldn't see.

Usually, this wouldn't matter. As a passenger, I could, and would, be lulled to sleep by the constant vibrations of the car, to wake up at our destination. But this time I didn't feel like sleeping, not for a million years. I was driving my own car.

And I couldn't see. As fate would have it, when I plan an out-of-town excursion to celebrate my getting my own car, a massive fog bank moves in as we are heading home. I can see about a foot in front of the car hood and no

"Do you want me to drive, Don?" a femi-

A fool and his money soon shall part

nine voice from the backseat asks.

"Gladly," I think to myself, but as quickly as it comes into my head, my male attitude grabs it, shakes it, beats it up and tells it to go out and play a little football. "I've got control over the situation," I say trying to wipe the sweat off my brow inconspicuously, "no prob-

It wasn't always like this. I use to bum rides from people or walk. But, over Christmas break, the fates finally brought me and a 1979 Pontiac Bonneville together, 'til death or rust do us part.

Not to say the union was an easy one to start. I would walk on to a used-car lot and salesmen would come out of the woodwork like zombies crawling out of a cemetery in a cheap horror flick.

"Say hey pal!" one of the zombie used-car salesmen said to me. "My name's Mel and

I told him my name, although I think I already knew what he was going to call me.

Sucker. "Well, Don, seeing the kind of money you have (none) and your current job status (hack writer and photographer for a college newspaper), I think you'll want to be looking at something from our "budget" section of the

lot," he said. The "budget" section looked like it had suffered a nuclear strike. Rusted cars were

strewn across the lot in pell-mell fashion. "Are you sure this isn't the ... ready for

the scrap heap' section of the lot?" I asked. Mel gave me a poisonous smile and said "Oh, a smart guy huh? Well, let's have a look

at this beauty over here, shall we?" "Mel," I said, "it's only got two tires left." "Not to worry, it's a front wheel drive," "Show me something else, Mel."

"How about this one?"

"Yep, bought it for a mere pittance," I said,

beaming. "Have you got insurance?" I felt like an idiot. I had completely forgotten about buying insurance, an item which is

"That's a hearse, Mel."

"It's got character, Don."

"How about something else, Mel?"

until we came across what is now my car.

was given a depressing bit of information.

"So you got a car," my friend said.

This went on for what seemed like days,

I went home very happy that night, until I

now required by law. I made an appointment to see my insurance agent the next day. "Hey, Don, good to see you," my insurance agent said, "You said you need auto insurance, so I pulled our basic policy from

our files. All you need to do is sign right here." I could see I was going to pay a lot for this policy; his drool dripping on the paper tipped

me off. So, before I handed him my life savings, I was going to ask him some ques-

"What does all this cover?" I asked.

"Well, if you get in an accident, involving a rhino, on main street, during a war, involving only conventional arms, at high noon, on your birthday, with four other people in the car, of varying ethnic backgrounds and economic stations, all carrying red roses, with no thorns, and the rhino is uninjured in the accident, but you suffer an injury, of your spine, above the third vertebrae, and below the first vertebrae, you will receive an award of no more than ten bucks. Sign here," he said.

Well, I did sign. He then told me I had to get the car inspected, I did, which led to about \$1,000 in repairs. All and all the car has run me within inches of bankrupicy, homelessness and the brink of insanity,

But at least now I can drive there.

CAMPUS LIFE



USA Today Academic Teammember Laura Pierson looks over prints for the upcoming issue of Heartland View. Pierson is editor in chief of Heartland View, a new Midwest travel and leisure magazine. Don Carrick/Photo

Alternative music finds niche

'Outhouse' attracts diverse groups

By JEFF PERRY Missourian Staff

Imagine a tiny shack just outside Lawrence, Kan., where

individuals of different cliques congregate to enjoy an evening of great music, slam dancing and even a campfire if you get cold. It's where smoke and conversation as different as each persons haircut fills the air and sets the mood. Well, if you can imagine such a place maybe you should visit the Outhouse.

Many Northwest students have discovered the Outhouse, located 5 miles east on 15th Street just off Massachusetts, as a great way to get out of town and catch a glimpse of some divergent musical tastes.

"The structure is little more than a shed about the size of two high school classrooms, with a bunch of plywood for a stage," sophomore Keehan Mallon said. However, the stage has hosted several big name bands from the underground scene, such as The Sin City Disciples, ALL (formerly known as the Descendents), Fugazi, Ultraman there were a lot of bands on the cutting edge of punk rock (who have recently disbanded), 2-4-7Spyz, 7-Seconds, GWAR, the Circle Jerks and many others, as well as smaller bands from the surrounding area.

Sophomore Erin Griggs described the the crowd at the Outhouse as being "kind of non-neo-Nazi, more skatepunk, high school/alternative college scene. Definitely not top 40 music!"

Once the music starts, a "pit" is generally established. A "pit" is the area in which a form of dance known as slamming takes place. Slamming is a type of dance which is commonly associated with skaters, skinheads and most thrash/alternative bands such as The Straw Dawgs, Social Distortion, Kill Whitey and Hüsker Dü.

The pit is generally the main focus of the concertgoers, second only to the music.

"It's like when you're riding a motorcycle or what-

ever, and the road is bumpy as hell, and you feel all your aggressions release," freshman Wes Carey said of the pit at the Circle Jerks show he went to in 1990.

Floating, another form of slam dancing, is done from the I-beam that is over the center of the pit. Floating occurs when a person is lifted up and hangs by their feet and moves their upper body.

For some students, floating at first may seem dangerous, but after it has been tried can be a lot of fun.

"I remember the first time I tried floating. It was when I went to see ALL last spring at the Outhouse," Mallon said. "It was like this incredible rush and when I dropped back down to the floor, everybody sort of held me up and got my feet back on the ground."

Although the Outhouse has changed its interior design from mass graffiti on the inside walls to an unembellished color, the personalities of the regulars have yet to change.

"When I went there in '86 it was just beginning and and new age music that many people hadn't heard of. It's a great place to get crazy," sophomore Jason Vaughn said. Many students had different reactions to their experi-

ences at the Outhouse.

"It's a place that you can go without having to worry about the conventions of society," Benji Damron said.

Sophomore Jen Sortor had mixed feelings about her first experience there.

"It was wild, scary and yet adventuresome. The people

that I met were really nice once I talked to them.' "I enjoy going to the Outhouse because it offers me a

chance to see bands that the Maryville bars and campus won't bring into town, and if there was the opportunity to see a band at the Outhouse that was more geared to my friends and myself I'd rather go there than stay in town,' Mallon said.

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English major selected to USA Today team, to accept award in D.C.

By JEFF PERRY Missourian Staff

Dreams. Everyone has them and likes to believe in them but few of us have the drive, willpower, determination and friends to help us achieve them. Senior Laura Pierson, however, has enough of all these things to carry her on toward fulfilling her dreams.

Pierson, an English major, has been named to the USA Today Academic Team and will receive a check for \$2,500. She was one of 20 to be named to the team out of some 1,250 applicants. Pierson will receive her award on Jan. 31 in Washington, D.C.

Pierson, a non-traditional student, has developed many good friendships during her college career at Northwest. She attributes her success to the help and motivation these friends have offered her through the years.

"The recognition is because of a lot of people, not only me, but the staff, my parents and teachers that believed and helped me to believe in myself."

"Laura is innovative in every true sense of the word, as a leader, as well as a friend. She is the type of person that dreams and knows how to make those dreams become reality," her friend and roommate Pat Schurkamp

Schurkamp also said she believes Pierson's philosophy is "whatever she has you can have. She's the type of woman that'll give you the shirt off her back and help you in any way that

difficult life. She took a year and a half off from school after her husband was involved in a car accident in 1987, leaving him in a comatose state for the past four years. Because of her husband's present condition, she would like to get more involved in the right-to-die movement because she said she does not think "life is life while being fed through needles and having no thought."

Despite all that has happened in her life, she has still managed to strive toward many other accomplishments, including taking over as editor in chief of the Northwest Missourian during the 1990-91 school year. The Missourian won All-American honors both semesters.

"I wasn't surprised because everyone was superb in their area and they deserved it," she said.

Pierson has also received individual awards, including Northwest Missouri State University's Outstanding Journalist, and Missouri Writers Guild Best Journalist of Northwest. Currently, Pierson is the copy editor of the Tower Yearbook, editorial assistant of The Laurel Review and the first editor in chief of Heartland View magazine.

Heartland View is a new regional, travel and leisure magazine produced at Northwest.

"I want to build a solid base with Heartland View," she said. "I'd like for it to sell around 5,000 copies for the first issue. I want it to be Mid-West Living's biggest competition."

Those who work with Pierson con-Pierson has led a triumphant, yet sider her to be an ideal mentor, leader and all-around good person. She has a strong faith in Christianity, and as Fred Lamer, chairman of the Department of Mass Communications said, "she's about as conscientious a student as I've had the occasion to teach. She's very reserved with a low ego, one who doesn't toot her own horn but rather lets her actions speak louder

than her words." Student publications adviser Laura Widmer, who will be attending the awards ceremony with Pierson, said, "I believe that Laura Pierson's leadership was responsible for the Missourian's incredible turnaround. She's one of the top editors I've ever had the privilege to work with."

Pierson's future dreams include a career in journalism, either as an adviser to a school newspaper or as a reporter.

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budgeting Spring Break requires

By ROGER HUGHLETT Missourian Staff

Spring Break is a time to forget the books and get away. Sometimes getting away can be difficult on the average student's budget. This problem is being tackled by travel agencies and other forms of organized student vacations.

According to Bridget Brown of Cotter Travel Agency in Maryville, the main concern of students is money.

"Cost is a very serious factor to students now," Brown said. "They want to know how to cut costs and we try to help them out as much as we can. Sharing rooms is one of the biggest ways to save money. Car pooling is another way to cut down on costs."

Brown said more students are planning trips with a travel agency today than they did in the past. Inquiries by students have increased over the five years the agency has been in Maryville, according to Brown.

"A lot of students are coming to us and saying, 'I have this much money and I want to go somewhere.' Then we try and suggest something they can afford and enjoy," Brown said.

"We're sending a lot of students to Chicago for the week. A lot of students also go skiing in Denver for spring break. They can get to Denver for \$112 on the train. Air fare would cost \$258," Brown said.

Traveling by plane is declining in popularity for college students, according to Brown. "Air fare is just too expensive," Brown said.

Cotter Travel is offering a week long vacation in South Padre Island, just off the coast of Texas. The cost is \$299 and includes round trip transportation on a chartered bus and accommodations in condominiums.

Spring break trips to South Padre Island, Fort Lauderdale and Cancun, Mexico, are still the most popular among students, according to Brown. But some students just want to travel. Shane Whitaker, sophomore, is

planning a trip to New York City by way of a Greyhound bus for his break.

"I like getting on a Greyhound and going some place that is interesting and away from here," Whitaker said.

Whitaker prefers riding the bus because it is cheaper and he doesn't drive. "You can learn a lot about life and people while riding a bus across

America," Whitaker said. This spring break will be-

Whitaker's second "bus ride across the land." He spent last year's break riding a bus to San Francisco, Calif., with a fellow classmate. "A buddy and I paid \$150 and:

went to San Francisco for a couple of days," Whitaker said. "We were on the bus for a full two and a half days. We lived on peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and Coke the whole trip.

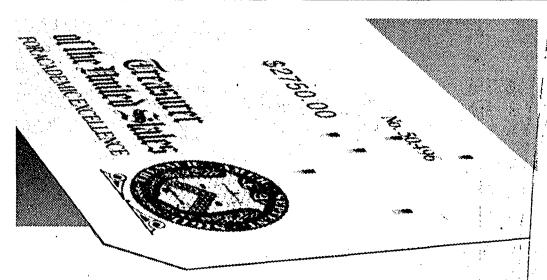
"When we got to the city we walked around the middle of downtown. The streets were filled with all sorts of people. We stayed a couple of: days in the city and saw everything in: about a 10 mile radius. Then we got: on a bus and came home," Whitaker

The destination is not the important thing, according to Whitaker.

"The getting there is where you experience life and different people. I met all kinds of people on the bus. from smart people to strange people in purple shirts," Whitaker said.

The options are numerous when making plans for spring break. The most important thing, according to Brown, is to plan the trip early.

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Students to appear in upcoming movie

By ANNE BACA Missourian Staff

Over the summer, two Northwest students found some "extra" time to act as extras in the Hallmark Hall of Fame TV movie "O'Pioneers." The movie, based on the novel by Willa Cather, is to air nationwide at 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2, on CBS.

The movie is the story of smalltown life and the hardships encountered by a strong pioneer woman, portrayed by Jessica Lange.

Senior Rob Rush and freshman Kori Sundberg both won parts in the movie after sending in resumes and photographs of themselves.

Rush learned of the role while working at KLIR radio station in Columbus, Neb., over the summer. CBS called the station to place a public service announcement asking for the help of local residents in producing the film. He responded to the ad and included the information requireand acting experience.

Rush was one of 12 Nebraskans selected for the baseball scene, shot in 100 degree weather, which was worsened by the authentic 1900s thick baseball uniforms the cast was required to wear.

"The weather got extremely hot," Rush said. "I remember at one point I turned around and asked if I could have a glass of water. The assistant director got on his walkie-talkie, which all crew carried, and said, 'catcher needs water now.' They treated you very good and made you feel important."

Rush plays the catcher in the scene with 12 other men fielding the game. Filmed in June near Lincoln, the location of the shoot was not announced until the day before because the filming attracted a lot of attention.

A theater major, Rush's interest in acting began when he was a junior in high school. He tried out for a part in

ments of his height, weight, baseball a school play and decided to continue performing.

> "It was so much different from live stage," Rush said. "Every sound was important. If the background chatter wasn't perfect we would try again until it was. You just keep performing until the director is satisfied."

> Sundberg also learned of the part through her local media and was encouraged to apply for the role by her Convent Youth Group teacher in Stromsburg, Neb. She was one of four girls called back from the youth group, and was one of two to actually appear in the film.

> The movie, as directed by Dick Bush, stars Lange and David Straithorn and allowed Rush and Sundberg the opportunity to work with some major Hollywood perform-

> "In one of the practice shoots I smile at Jessica Lange and she winks back at me," Sundberg said. "It was a great experience working with a fa

mous actress and I'm just glad I got to do it."

Sundberg plays the role of Millie, the 15-year-old niece of Lange's character, Alexandra. She has no actual speaking parts, but appears in several scenes with Lange. Sundberg's previous acting experience consisted of small parts in high school plays.

"This was an excellent new experience and hard work at the same time," Sundberg said.

A preview was shown Saturday, Jan. 18, in Red Cloud, Neb. Sundberg and Rush could not attend, however, Sundbergs' parents did see the premicre.

"It was a fantastic movie," Eldon Sundberg, Kori's father, said. "It was very well put together."

Although the filming of the movie could be both long and tedious, and there's no guarantee their shots will appear in the finished product, both Rush and Sundberg agreed the experience was worth the effort.

Bars gain college crowd

Jessica Lange signs autographs for the cast of "O'Pioneers." Two students appear in the movie airing at 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2, on CBS.

By ANNE BACA Missourian Staff

"It's nine o' clock on a Saturday/ The regular crowd shuffles in." -Billy Joel

A room filled with smoke, music playing in the background and the faces of people you see everyday does this scene sound familiar?

The size of Maryville may determine the places you go, the people you see and the entertainment you prefer. The local bars are a source of entertainment for some students, for many different reasons.

"I go to the bar because that's where everybody is and, since there's nothing else to do, it's basically the local hot spot," Brian Kennedy, senior, said.

Graduate student, David Nowak, said the main reason he goes to the bar is to socialize and relieve stress.

Many students are employed by local bars and spend most of their time at the bar, on the clock.

"Working at a bar allows you to see everyone you don't run into during classes," Jeff VanFosson, junior,

Two students not only work at a

bar, but own one. Jason Brown and John Wanninger, seniors, are co-owners of the local bar The Outback.

According to Wanninger, the bar helps them interact with the clientele and allows them to further understand the wants of their customers.

"It's neat to be involved with the bar," Brown said. "You meet a lot of people and interact with them in classes. You can get a lot of feedback from friends. They tell you the things they would like to see changed and bands they would like to hear."

Physical renovations are not the only area of improvement for bars, according to Bob Biga, owner of the

"I think the students are becoming a little wiser in their drinking habits. I think students are becoming a little more health conscious; they go for lighter beers.'

Overall, Biga believes the general attitude toward alcohol has changed for students.

"I've seen a change in student's drinking habits. Today, students like to sit and talk more, where it used to be they would come in, get drunk and act stupid," Biga said.

Senior Bill Hackett likes the Pub



Outback bartender Jeff VanFosson pours another drink on a busy Saturday night. Don Carrick/Photo Director

because it gives him the opportunity to meet with friends in a social atmosphere.

"I like going to the Pub because all of my friends go there to hang out," Hackett said.

Both Biga and Wanninger agree the average student visits the bars twice a week, mostly on the week-

Bars may offer a variety of entertainment, but according to Kennedy, it's not the bar, it's the people.

"It's nothing they have there. I go

to the bars to meet people; it's where everyone is. It's all right to shoot some stick every once in awhile, but I usually go to socialize," Kennedy

Students will choose a bar where they feel comfortable and can see their friends, but senior Scott Claude believes the best reason to attend the bar is to get a break from the usual... weekly tension.

after a long hard week of studying," Claude said.

Photos cause legal battle

The removal of a photograph from a public exhibit because it was "too intense" has triggered a months-long battle between a University of Alaska student and an Anchorage library.

Last summer, after breaking up with his girlfriend, Jonathon Green created a photographic self-portrait to express his pain. In it, he was naked and kneeling on the ground. His chest was colored to look as if it had been surgically opened and he was clutching a pig's heart in front of it.

Green, a sophomore and president of the university's camera club, entered the photo in the University of Alaska's sixth annual art show. Along with 50 other entries, it was scheduled to be placed on display last July at Anchorage's Loussac Library.

But, librarian Anne Oliphant decided to eliminate it from the exhibit because it was "too intense" and violent to be seen by children.

The removal of the image, along with three other photos, created a legal battle that remains unresolved. Shortly after the incident, American "I go to the bars to get a break, and Civil Liberties Union attorneys contacted Green and Ann Roush, creator of the other three banned photos. The

ACLU told the students their rights had been violated, Green said.

Initially, he and Roush had agreed with Oliphant, Green said. After talking with ACLU lawyers, he changed his mind.

"I felt like I had been robbed," he

Two of Roush's photos were of frontal male nudity. The third, however, was merely of a man sitting in a chair with his face away from the camera. Only his bare back and the top of his buttocks could be seen, she

Roush and Green went to court, and a judge ordered the library to extend the exhibit several days so the pictures could be displayed.

Although the exhibit is over, the students and their lawyer Jeffrey Mayhook are still fighting to make sure "this doesn't happen to anyone else," Roush said.

Loussac is run by the municipality of Anchorage, and city attorney Dennis Lazarus said the students have

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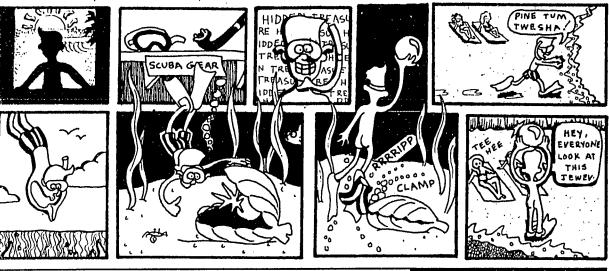
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Stone's 'JFK' doesn't deserve harsh criticisms

Day: Friday, Nov. 22, 1963. Dateline: Anywhere USA. Time: 12:37 p.m. The report went something like this: "This bulletin just in from Dallas, Texas. President Kennedy has been shot in Dallas. We repeat, the President has been shot in Dallas. At approximately 12:30 p.m. shots rang out at the President's motorcade, hitting the president. No other word is yet known at this time, but we will be keeping you abreast of new information as it becomes available to us. Again, President Kennedy has been shot in Dallas."

Ask anyone old enough to remember that day and they'll be able to tell you where they were when they heard the news.

If there's one event that older Americans recall with vivid detail it's the day President John F. Kennedy was assassinated. It's etched in our collective conscience - even those of us not old enough to remember the

Oliver Stone's "JFK" is a story that chronicles that day in Dallas, but does so in a way that we would not like to think. His thesis: the CIA, FBI, military-industrial complex, Vice President Lyndon Johnson and anti-Communist factions all conspired to kill the chief executive, and that Lee Harvey Oswald, reported to be the lone assassin by the Warren Commission, was the put-upon trigger man, the "patsy," so to speak.

Stone's thesis' main contention is that Kennedy was killed so that the Vietnam War would not end and the

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military would profit from its intervention there.

To think that our government is corrupt is not covering new ground in literature or movies, but give Stone credit: he has brilliantly created a "What if?" scenario involving the aforementioned groups with a great deal of style and verve.

The movie encompasses about eight years, and incorporates documentary-style footage with actual film, slow-motion shots, dizzying special effects, mysterious characters and both well-founded and halfbaked speculations all involving the assassination and its aftermath.

If Stone has failed to prove his conspiracy point, he has at least painted a broad, memorable canvas one that stirs the imagination, yet at the same time, distresses our idea of human nature.

"JFK" has received a great deal of criticism, and no other film since "The Last Temptation of Christ" in 1988 has stirred up as much controversy. It was recently the topic of an hour-long "Nightline," where it was reported that the Warren Commission's findings may be opened up for more scrutiny; originally, they were not scheduled to be opened until 2029.

The film's content has been so well-documented in op-ed pages, the evening news and news programs that it's not worth discussing in great detail, but it does bring to mind three decisively relevant points concerning the gripes on the film and others, like "Last Temptation," as well. From

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the evidence at hand it is essentially unavoidable that (1) there will be people who will criticize something they haven't seen or understand, (2) people will attack anything that contradicts their own narrow views, and (3) people would rather complain about important, thought-provoking films and ignore the trivial, pointless ones that truly deserve condemnation.

Complaints have centered around Stone's use of footage, information, characters (especially Kevin Costner's Jim Garrison, the attorney who assigned himself to the case) and witnesses regarding the assassination. Some claim he has tried to taint the truth and fabricate certain details. Conceptually, there's nothing faulty with that analysis.

But it will be abundantly clear to the average viewer what is truth and reality, fact from fiction, conjecture and evidence. Stone has made a film that is similar to a nightmare: it weaves, twists and turns, and when it's over we're not quite sure what to believe, but at least we're provided some definite things to ponder.

In essence, Stone wants us to make up our own minds, without having to rely on some other person's ideas. That seems fair game to me.

So what about The Theory? Simply put, what we're given by Stone is far-fetched and hard to swallow. On paper, there's nothing essentially abhorrent with The Theory. In the film's most powerful sequence, Donald Sutherland's "X" character does an

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extraordinary job of explaining how things were carried out by the powers-that-be. His reasoning is logical and coherent.

In actuality, though, too many things would have to have happened for things to materialize. It's possible that one group could have been involved in an assassination, but several? But then again, what's one view? This is ambitious material that deserves attention and thought; an opinion is not so much a comfort as it is a necessity.

As of yet, I have not given a general plot summary of "JFK." I won't. not just because it is known by now, but because the film needs to be experienced and discovered without any preconceived notions.

If there is a flaw with "JFK." it is that at times it is tedious and sluggish. But the more I think about it, the more I think that is what the movie is symbolic of-investigating something as heinous as a president's assassination is no overnight task. "JFK" has provided us a story that is both disturbing and disheartening.

"JFK" rating: ★★★★

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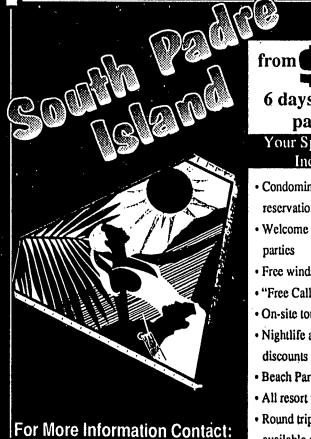
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